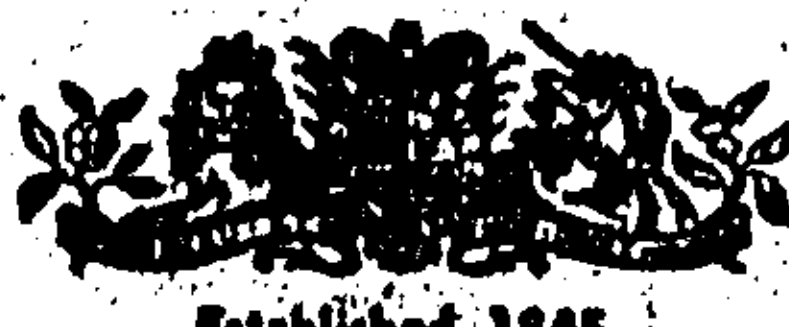


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COMMENT OF THE DAY

ATTEMPTED SUICIDE

NOT everybody appears to be happy about the British Home Secretary's refusal to abolish the law which punishes attempted suicide. He did so on the ground that he had no evidence that a change would be "universally acceptable to public opinion."

There are quite a lot of laws that fall within that category — and to the criminal pretty nearly all of them!

It was argued that no one has argued convincingly against the views of Professor Glanville Williams and Dr Mannheim in recent letters to The Times, which adds that it is not easy to do so, for the Scots have no such law nor (with trifling exceptions) has the rest of the civilised world. Attempted suicide seems to have become punishable in England almost by accident.

Always A Sin

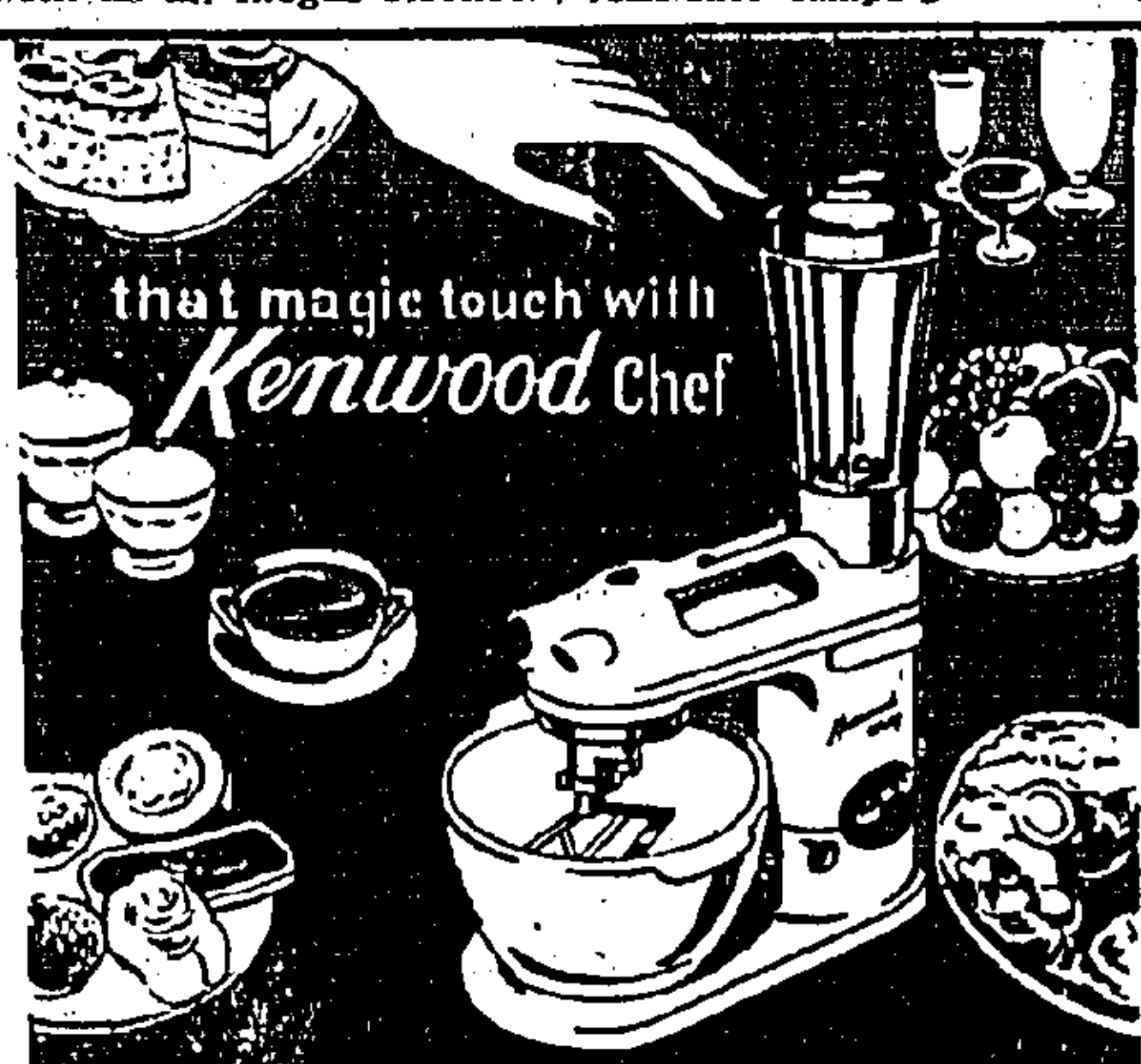
TO the Church suicide has always been a sin. The State long ago made it a crime as well, for reasons unconnected with theology or morals, with the practical effect of forfeiting a suicide's property to the Crown. The idea that an attempt to commit a crime must also be an offence, though a lesser one, occurred to the courts only a century ago. In fact offenders are seldom, and somewhat capriciously, proceeded against.

Prosecutions

IN 5,387 cases known to the police in 1956 (many are never known), only 613 persons were prosecuted.

Most were discharged or put on probation, but thirty-three were sent to prison for a few weeks.

The Joint Committee of the British Medical Association and the Magistrates Association in their report on "Attempted Suicide and the Law" in 1947 recommended amendment of the law so that it should no longer be dealt with as an illegal offence.



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GAILLARD WINS CONFIDENCE VOTE

But His Days Appear To Be Numbered

Paris, Mar. 7.

Premier Felix Gaillard won a vote of confidence tonight on his 1,326 billion franc defence budget.

But Gaillard's days appeared numbered after only four months in office.

BULGANIN ALSO CONFUSES RUSSIANS

London, Mar. 7.

Soviet Premier Nikita Bulganin writes so many letters that even the Russians are confused.

When Moscow Radio revealed the contents of Bulganin's latest letter to President Eisenhower today, it mistakenly said Bulganin was answering to Eisenhower's February 1 letter.

Diplomats and newsmen immediately started searching files and memories in confusion. Later Moscow broadcasts, however, made it clear that the note was the one delivered in Washington yesterday in reply to Eisenhower's February 15 message. — United Press.

Bombs Explode On RAF Station

Nicosia, Mar. 7.

Four incendiary bombs exploded in the Royal Air Force station at Nicosia this afternoon starting small fires, it was officially reported.

A security forces spokesman said sabotage was suspected. An RAF spokesman said the explosions were nowhere near aircraft. He said the bombs were a home-made type.

Today's incident is the first act of violence in Cyprus this year involving a British service base.

It comes on the heels of Eoka announcements of a possible resistance campaign. — Reuters.

The Conservative half of his coalition served notice in the debate preceding the vote that it was supporting a budget that would keep the 370,000-man French garrison in Algeria up to full strength, but that this did not mean approval of his overall policy.

The talk in Assembly corridors today was of return to power of the retired World War II leader General Charles de Gaulle.

Many Deputies voted for Gaillard hoping to avert a de Gaulle government. Widespread reports said the General would demand suspension of Parliament during his tenure of office.

Intransigent

Gaillard received a comfortable majority after he has promised to be intransigent in dealing with Tunisia and when he rejected independence for Algeria.

The Premier will face an admittedly more dangerous confidence vote next week when the Assembly takes a vote on his constitutional reform bill.

Four weeks of talks of majority leaders failed to turn up an agreement although the Premier has dropped many of his proposals and greatly watered down his original bill.

Gaillard's victory today came as no surprise. No non-Communist Party was prepared to deny the French Army in North Africa its financial means. — United Press.

Churchill's Physician Returns

London, Mar. 7.

Sir Winston Churchill's personal physician, Lord Moran, returned here tonight after attending Sir Winston during his recent illness in the south of France.

At the airport, Lord Moran said: "It has been sunny, but very cold there, so Sir Winston has not been out of doors yet. But I am sure that at the first opportunity, he will be out painting."

Asked if Sir Winston was likely to accept an invitation from President Eisenhower to visit America in April, Lord Moran replied: "He will decide that for himself."

Lord Moran, who was away for just over a fortnight, said: "If all goes well, I shall not see Sir Winston before he comes back to England. I expect that will be in about a month, but I am only guessing." — Reuters.

Hongkong's Footballer Of The Year

The China Mail once again extends to the public an invitation to nominate, by popular poll, Hongkong's Footballer of the Year.

A simple coupon, which can be filled up in one minute, will be found in this issue on page 10. The coupon will continue to be published daily on one of the China Mail sports pages until the closing date for the nomination is announced.

This is the fifth annual Footballer of the Year poll sponsored and organised by the China Mail. It has proved increasingly popular since its inception and has won wide public support.

Two guiding qualifications for nomination are playing ability and sportsmanship on the field of play.

The winner will, in due course, be presented with an inscribed silver cup presented by the China Mail.

Send in your nomination NOW for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year.

Japan To Build Super Jets

Tokyo, Mar. 7.

Japan will begin production in 1960 of a souped-up jet fighter plane called the Super Tiger, industry circles said today.

If all goes well, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries and Kawasaki Aircraft will produce 300 of the jets—called the F-11F—at a cost of 300,000,000 yen each.

The Super Tiger is a multi-purpose fighter with a top speed of twice the speed of sound.

It can carry Sidewinder missiles, rockets or small bombs. Mitsubishi and Kawasaki currently are producing F-86 Sabrejets and T-3 jet trainers through a technical arrangement with US firms but current production plans for the Sabres ends in March 1960.

Sources said that the Defence Ministry selected the Super Tiger and that it will be announced officially later this month.

Construction of the 300 planes under tentative planning is scheduled to be completed between April, 1960 and March, 1963.

The Super Tiger is particularly adaptable for Japan because it needs less than 1,000 feet of runway. In this land-short nation, length of runway is highly important. — United Press.

China's Steel

London, Mar. 7.

China has ruled her 1958 steel output target to seven million tons, 33 per cent more than last year's output, the New China News Agency reported today. — Reuters.

Russia To Boycott Disarmament Commission Session

United Nations, Mar. 7.

Soviet sources here said tonight that Russia would boycott a session of the Disarmament Commission which may be called later this month.

BRITAIN DENIES CHARGES

United Nations, Mar. 7.

Britain today denied Yemen's charges of "planned and persistent" aggression and said the Yemeni are "exclusively responsible" for starting border disturbances in the Arabian Peninsula.

Yemeni Ambassador Kamil Abdul Rahim on February 27 charged in a letter to Secretary General Dag Hammarskjöld that British forces had carried out attacks on a number of places in Yemen and warned that "a new liberation war similar to that of Algeria, may flare up in the area" unless the United Nations acted to end the attacks.

British Ambassador Sir Piers Dixon in a letter to Hammarskjöld released today, said "at no time have British forces committed aggressive action against any place within Yemeni territory."

Dixon's note said the British "are themselves in no doubt about the de facto location of the Aden-Yemen border" but said the Yemeni Government had not accepted any proposals to demarcate the line or to settle disputes locally.

AMBITION

"They (Yemen) have not only proclaimed unceasingly their ambition to absorb the territory of the Aden Protectorate," Dixon's note said, "but have been exclusively responsible for starting all disturbances on the border and have furthermore been carrying out in recent months an intensified programme of subversion among the tribes of the Aden Protectorate."

"Her Majesty's Government consider it unnecessary in these circumstances to comment further on the question of which government is conducting, in the words of the Yemeni representative, a planned and persistent campaign against the integrity and territory of the other." — United Press.

Mourners Drowned

Hyderabad, Mar. 7.

Eleven people—six of them children—returning from the funeral of a relative were drowned when their boat capsized in the river Krishna last night.

Seven others in the boat swam ashore to safety. — Reuters.

Asked if they would also boycott any subsequent Security Council meeting, the sources said: "we shall see."

They asked: "What is the use of holding a Council meeting on the subject anyway? It would be only procedural—nothing substantive could come of it."

Made Clear

United States and British sources have both made it clear that the West has been thinking in terms of procedural meetings of both the expanded 25-nation Commission and the 11-member Council. These informants suggested the probability that a resolution would be submitted to the Council asking note of world-wide concern at the lack of progress on disarmament and calling for new efforts to break the deadlock.

The Russians announced in the General Assembly that they would boycott the Disarmament Commission, asserting that it was "loaded" in favour of the West. Poland and Czechoslovakia are also expected to stay away. — Reuters.

Russia Against Meeting At UN

United Nations, Mar. 7.

Soviet sources today excluded United Nations Headquarters from consideration for the venue of a "summit" conference.

They indicated disagreement with yesterday's statement by Mr Dag Hammarskjöld, the Secretary-General, that it would be "perfectly feasible, perfectly appropriate" to have the heads of government meet under the UN roof.

The sources said specifically it was "not feasible." They said New York provided the "wrong atmosphere" that there were too many "emigre groups" which might make trouble, and too many "reactionaries."

At the same time they did not rule out an eventual visit by Mr Khrushchev and Marshal Bulganin to New York. They said that an outcome of summit talks might well be in exchange of visits by American and Soviet leaders.

Well informed sources have been saying for some time that Mr Hammarskjöld would like the Government heads to meet at headquarters and there has been continuing speculation that he might discuss the question during his visit to Moscow the week after next. — Reuters.

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FILMS

CURRENT & COMING

by ANTHONY FULLER

THIS is one of the best weeks for pictures Hongkong has known for a long time. There isn't a dud anywhere, and colour and action prevail on every screen. The first week, as far as I recall, when every first-run cinema is showing big-screen colour films.

"Peyton Place" enters its second week with "House Full" notices up.

The Queen's is showing an all-action Western drama that does not depend upon the quick-draw for its plot. "The Oklahoma Man" is a De Luxe Colour film which stars Joel McCrea, Gloria Talbott and Brad Dexter, and it stages one of the wildest man versus girl fights ever filmed.

The action calls for Dexter to pull the girl out of a buggy after she has slashed him with a whip, and Gloria Talbott plays it out like a wild-cat. "The Oklahoma Man" tells a story based on a true incident of the bad old days when outlaws tried to steal the oil-rich lands of the west. McCrea turns in a fine performance as a frontier doctor who tries to establish a practice in this wild country.

Brad Dexter is the gunman who tries to steal land from the Indians, and holds the whole neighbourhood in terror.

True love is found with Barbara Hale who loves McCrea, but is unable to overlook his shenanigans with an Indian maid. Gun fight? Oh yes, to be sure. A kind of "High Noon" set-up: the lone walk into the dusty street with the challenge, my favourite staging for the quick draw—maybe it's yours.

★ ★ ★

"HIGH FLIGHT" which will soar across the screens of the King's and Princess shortly, is a remarkably intelligent film in which thrills, entertainment, and human interest are woven into a pattern of first class cinema.

For those who like the thrill of super-heroic flight, this film is unequalled in bringing to you the real stuff. The camera work is just superb, holding the planes as they go through all the stunts associated with attack and avoidance, until you are whisked out of your seat and find yourself sitting in the cockpit of a plane.

Made in Technicolor and Cinemascope, it displays all the beauty of the new-washed English countryside and the pale blue vapour-streaked sky across which the planes roar at fantastic speeds.

Made with the co-operation of the R.A.F., many of the scenes are shot at Cranwell, and you actually see a passing-out parade—a scene which will bring the nostalgic mood to many of the old lads in the Colony.

The human angle is very clever, and is centred around that rigid discipline associated with an O.C.U. (Officer Cadets Training Unit). Roy Milland, a Battle of Britain pilot is in charge of the O.C.U., and finds in his command a reckless young man who turns out to be the son of a former flyer known to Milland.

Now Milland is unable to forget that he himself once inducted in a hope of discipline, and that the action caused the death of this young cadet's father. More than that, he sees the young man's reckless flying merely a duplication of his own actions of twenty years ago.

I think I have said enough to show you what a quandary this plot introduces. Roy Milland, as the Wing Commander, is superb in a beautifully controlled bit of playing, so intense, so human—so utterly human that you could knock the head off the angry young man, Kenneth Haigh, the rebellious cocky young pilot. The latter knows by the way, that his own father's death was caused by a breach of discipline on the part of Milland.

Kenneth Porteous and Anthony Newley star as Haigh's fellow cadets, the latter turning

in a rollicking performance as an inventor of gadgets. Bernard Lee is the Flight Sergeant of the old school who puts the new boys through their paces; personally, I love these men, he remembers his own lapses. A fine film, a great film, perhaps the best flying film made.

There is a strong romantic angle also. Jan Brooks and Jan Holden share the cadets' off duty hours, while Helen Cherry sensibly depicts the woman who loves Milland, and understands the struggle that is going on in his mind when, knowing he should R.T.U. the angry young man, he remembers his own lapses. A fine film, a great film, perhaps the best flying film made.

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NEW FILMS AT A GLANCE

SHOWING

HOOVER & LIBERTY: "The Pride and the Passion." A truly magnificent production based upon G.S. Forester's novel "The Gun"—Cary Grant, Frank Sinatra, and Sophia Loren.

ROXY & BROADWAY: "Peyton Place." The film that is breaking records all over the world. A great drama of a small town. Lana Turner, Hope Lange, Lee Phillips, and Lloyd Nolan, with a huge top-lin' cast.

ALHAMBRA: "One Night at the Moulin Rouge." A colourful French comedy. LEE & ASTOR: "The Deep Sea." A story of conflicting principles, the action being

an assignment handed out to a US destroyer in World War II. Starring Alan Ladd.

STAR & METROPOLE: "Gulliver's Travels." One of the best cartoon features ever made, including some of the most tuneful melodies ever. First-rate family entertainment.

KING'S & PRINCESS: "And God Created Woman." Brigitte Bardot in a French picture of a woman indiscriminately seeking a bed-mate. QUEEN'S: "The Oklahoma Man." A very fine Western made in Cinemascope and Colour by De Luxe starring Joel McCrea and Barbara Hale.

COMING

HOOVER & LIBERTY: "Until They Sail." A wartime setting with the home-front in New Zealand, featuring the girls who are left behind. Jean Simmons, Paul Newman, and Joan Fontaine.

ROXY & BROADWAY: "Cattle Empire." A story of the ranch kings that drove new roads of empire into the outlaw realm. Gloria Talbott, and Joel McCrea. Cinemascope and Colour by De Luxe.

ALHAMBRA: A series of first-rate Chinese pictures.

LEE and ASTOR: A season of Chinese opera featuring the stars of Cantonese Opera.

STAR & METROPOLE: "Slaughter on 10th Ave." The saga of the men and women who fought to smash the mobsters and lawless code of the roughest, toughest docks in the world.

KING'S & PRINCESS: "Short Cut to Hell." Newcomer Robert Ivers as a cold killer in Paramount's suspense drama.

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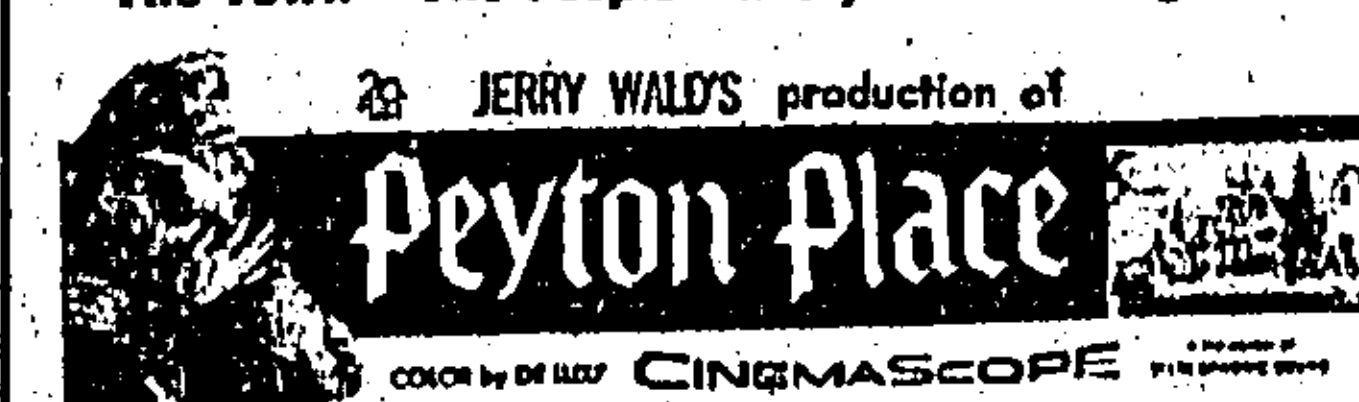


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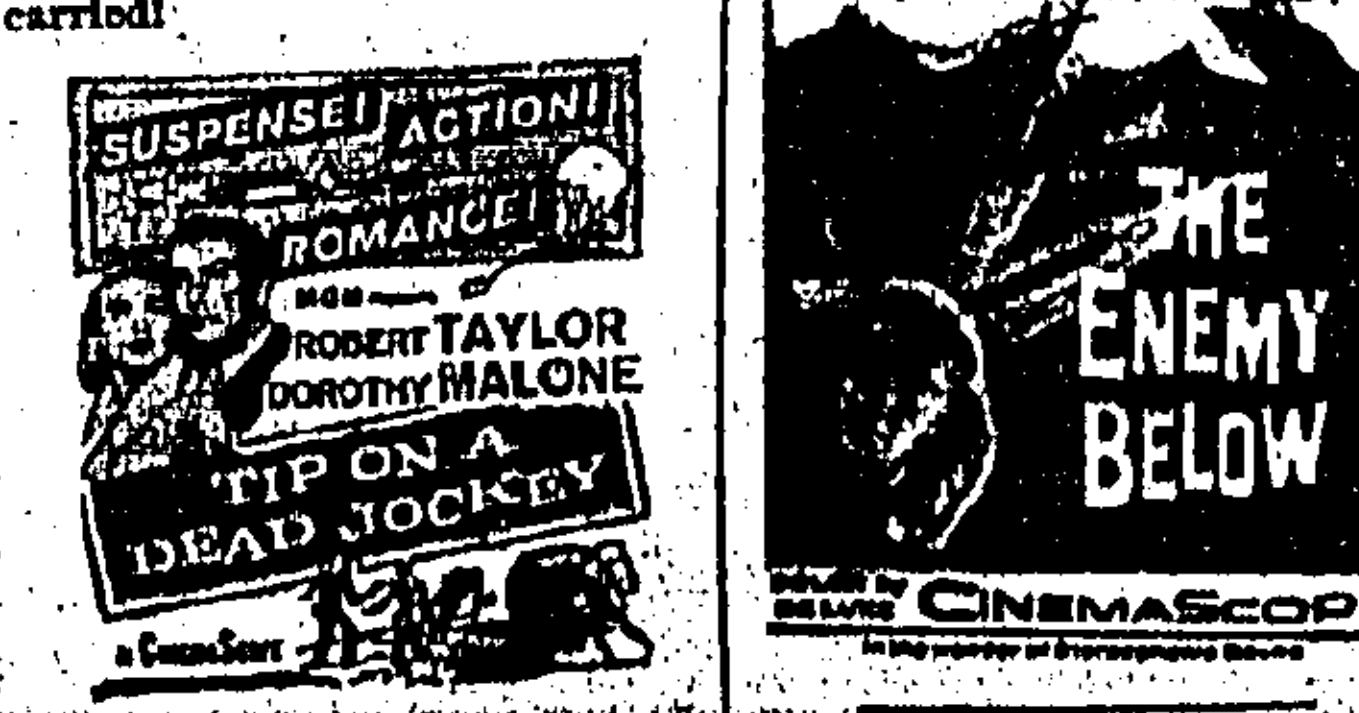
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London.
THE highest-priced fingers in the world must belong to Marc Sharratt, who plays the washboard in the hit-producing Chas. McDewitt skiffle group.

Sharratt has just insured the fingers that produce the group's "certain rhythm" for £5,000 with Lloyd's.

It was one of the strongest covers Lloyd's have given.

Sharratt pounds his zinc washboard with two thimble-covered fingers of each hand; has boosted his income from £10 a week as a photographer to £35 as an entertainer.

But the scragging and thumping has given him bruised, chafed and cut fingers, despite the thimbles.

Lloyd's, surprised to find the washboard given the status of a musical instrument, were five weeks before they issued the special policy to cover "one whom manual dexterity of his hands is of paramount importance."

For a £12 10s. a year premium Sharratt now values his little fingers at £375 each.

CRUISING DOWN THE RIVER—AT SCHOOL

London.
MORE than 4,000 headmasters have been told that floating classrooms are to be run this spring on canals and rivers round London.

Fifty-foot converted narrow boats have been fitted with loudspeakers so that pupils can hear their teacher's commentary. They will be available for two-hour school trips every weekday from April till October.

ENCOURAGE

Sir Reginald Kerr, general manager of British Waterways, said the other day: "It is part of our drive to encourage the new interest in inland waterways."

Private boat owners are being pressed to take up inland cruising. There has been a big jump in demand for 28-a-year licences which enable owners to cruise through 1,700 miles of waterways.

Sold Sir Reginald (who has travelled 2,000 miles in his 24ft. barge Kingsfisher): "I am keen to swell the happy band who follow that direct of cruising in small boats."

A DESERT CACTUS?



Soviet engineers have been carrying out artificial earthquakes, setting up 9,000 tons of explosive in a single blast. Here is such an explosion going off near Tashkent in Soviet Uzbekistan. One thousand tons of TNT were exploded from a chamber 130 feet underground.

Scientists and engineers wanted to find out just how much earth would be displaced as a test for much bigger explosions for mining and hydraulic works. The bang blew a crater 660 feet across.—Express Photo.

Which Way Does A Flag Blow On A Sailing Ship?

By HENRY MACLENNON

Rome.
WHICH way does a flag blow on a sailing ship? There appears to be two schools of thought on the subject which creates quite a problem for the Italian Government.

If a flag blows in the direction of the bow of a big sailing ship then the government has it wrong on several postage stamp issues and on the 70 million

newly coined 500 lire "scudo" pieces that are about ready for circulation. The trouble started recently when a group of old sailors flying exactly to bow in the direction of the stern of the ships. According to the Genoa seamen these flags should be blowing towards the bow—with the wind.

The seamen admit, however, that sailing ship flags are never flying exactly to bow because of the direction of the wind and the ship.

There are several postage stamp issues depicting one of the sailing ships of Christopher Columbus and the flags are all flying against the wind. In addition there is a galleon on a packet of cigarettes put out by the State-owned tobacco company with the flag flying the same way for the past 20 years.

A post office official said the controversy over which way a flag blows on a sailing ship came up in 1951 with the 23 lire postage stamp issue commemorating the Bari-Levant Trade Fair. It depicts a galleon with the flag flying the wrong way.

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THREE GIRLS IN LOVE ARE SEEKING DESERT ISLE

By STANLEY JARVIS

London.
THREE pretty girls who can sew and cook want to marry their sweethearts who can plough and work and settle down on a sun-swept, deserted island.

Any island will do—as long as there are palms and it is capable of being farmed by six youngsters who don't mind roughing it.

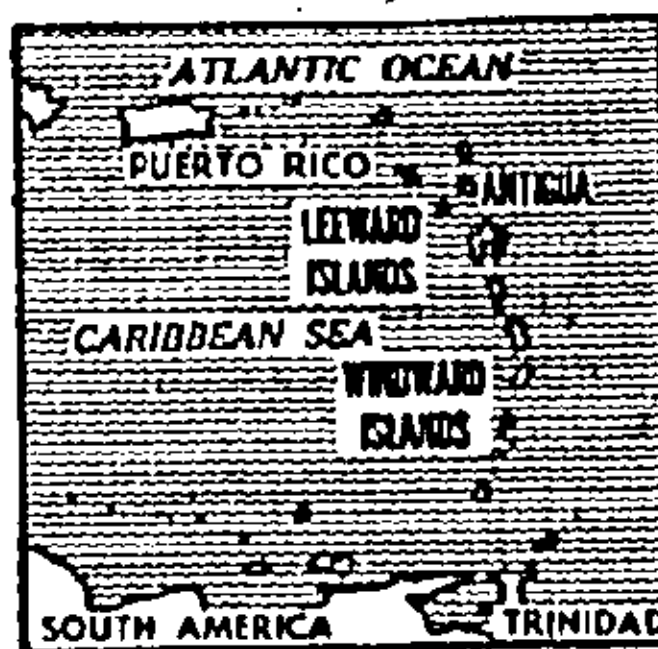
So, on behalf of the six would-be pioneers, 21-year-old Ramona Nelson, a Lincoln shop assistant, wrote to Lieut. Colonel A. Lovelace, the Administrator of Antigua, in Britain's Leeward Islands. "Can you please find us a nice small island where we can settle down after we are married and raise and support our families?"

Ramona, who plans to marry 21-year-old Lawrence Goddard, a tractor driver, told me: "Lots of young people talk about wanting to get away from it all, to live on a tropical island, but they never do anything about it. We are determined to make our dreams come true."

No dancing

"We would like to buy or rent any small, deserted island where we can set up a communal farm to keep us and our children."

"We know it will be hard going at first, but others have made a success, so why shouldn't we? We are pooling our savings, so that we shall be able to start stocking the farm and once we have settled down on our little island."



Seventeen-year-old Kenia O'Connor, shop assistant, engaged to 20-year-old mechanic George Draper, said: "This is no sudden impulse. The six of us have talked it over for months. We have no interest in dancing, cinemas, or the frivolities of town life."

The third couple are Dawn Johnson, 18-year-old typist, and John Tallow, 21-year-old painter and decorator.

How soon are the three young couples prepared to face life on a deserted island?

"It won't take long after we are fixed up with the right spot. Then we shall get married and start as soon as possible," said Ramona.

FILMS

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"THE Pride and the Passion," now showing at the Hoover and Liberty, is one of these spectacular films—most suitable to modern camera and screen techniques. Released through United Artists, I think they make no secret of the fact that it is designed to capture such audiences which placed "War and Peace" in Hong Kong's choice of second best film of the year 1957.

Personally, I consider it a better film in that it is more coherent. It is linked to a central theme, whereas, "War and Peace" seemed to wander all over the place until you wondered what it was about. The film is a masterpiece of the kind of film that is no doubt the most valuable of the film industry.

Of course, by now you will have recognized the plot; it is taken from C. S. Lewis's best-selling novel, "The Great Divorce". First I will deal with the film as a spectacle. It has everything, it is made as big as it can be, and as colourful as possible, in short it is a Visual Spectacular production.

Produced and directed by Stanley Kramer, every bit of the film was shot in Spain to provide the colourful authentic background necessary to such an epic.

The terrible scenes which crowd the fans into the cinema are all there. The sheer physical agony of pulling this huge cannon miles across the rugged terrain of the Peninsula is portrayed in some fantastic camera shots, which take the audience right into the picture.

The bombardment scenes must be among the most realistic and terrifying ever brought to a cinema audience, and the qualities of the proud guerrillas who refused to surrender to Napoleon are shown against this background.

The stars are so well known that it is unnecessary to say much about them. When I mention their names, it must be obvious to you as it is to me, that it represents one of the best bits of casting Hollywood has achieved for a long time.

Cary Grant takes over the role of Captain Ashworth. High, collecting entertainment for the whole family.

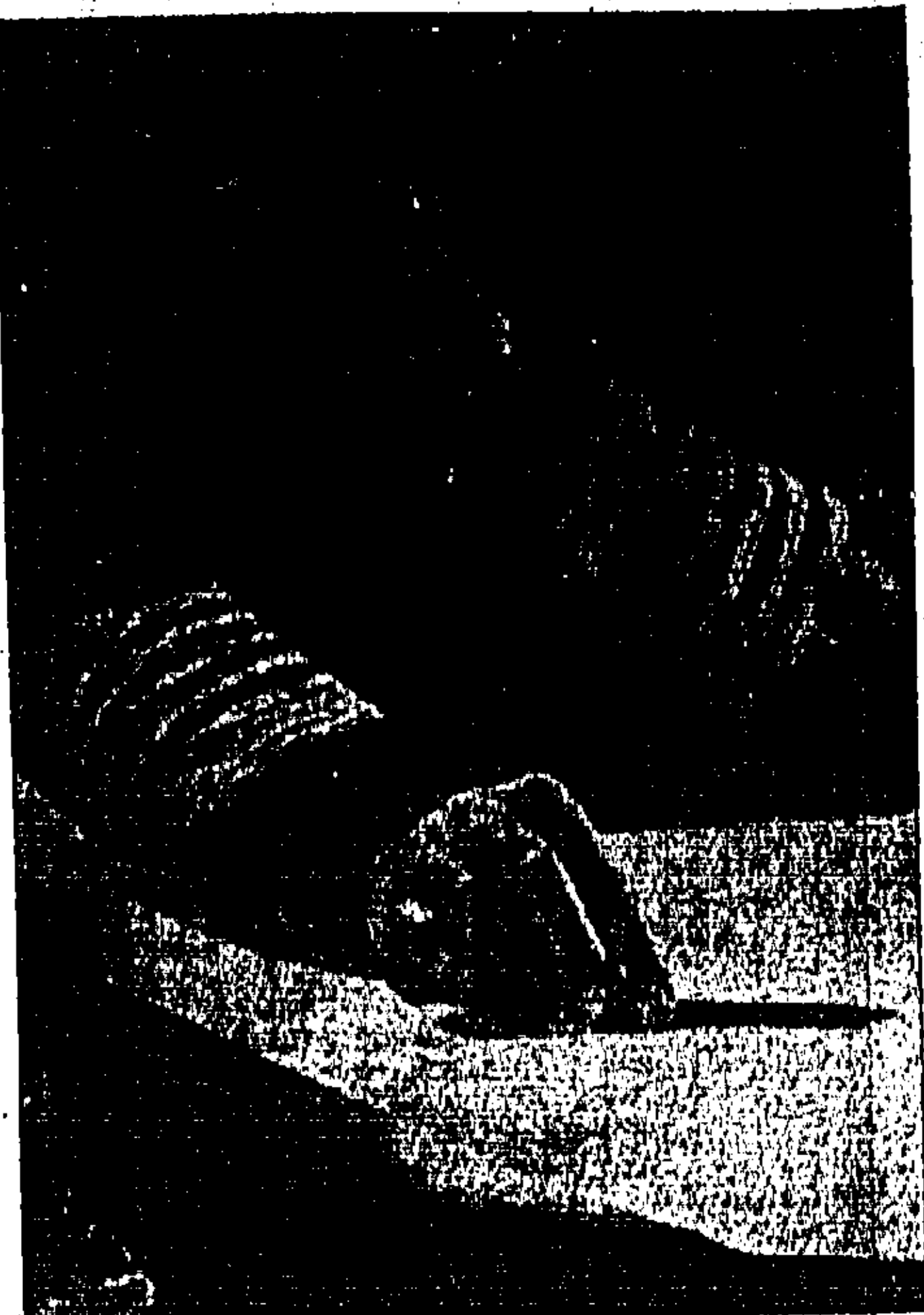
Even a slight acquaintance with history will tell you that the British officers of this period combined the fashionable dandyism and all its affections with a remarkable toughness of character and a high sense of duty.

Frank Sinatra looks after the part of Miguel, the Spanish guerrilla leader. As a musical leader who recognizes no ethic, but the necessity of liberating his home town, Sinatra comes along with another great performance to add to those he has given us since the time he has matched an epic from "From Here to Eternity".

Sophia Loren brings to the screen a performance that portrays one of these world-romantic women devoted to her lot with the guerrillas, she becomes at once an inspiration and the cause of discussion between Cary Grant and Frank Sinatra.

Obviously, such clever characterization goes to the making of an exceptionally satisfying film. Grant, the dandy Naval officer in the best British tradition, who throws in his lot in the cause of duty with a savage guerrilla leader and a wild beautiful girl dedicated to the cause of freedom.

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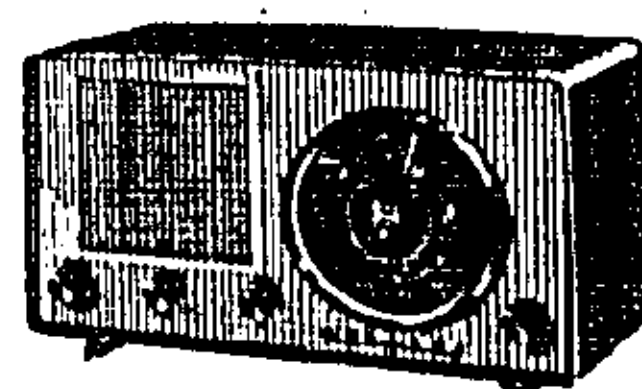
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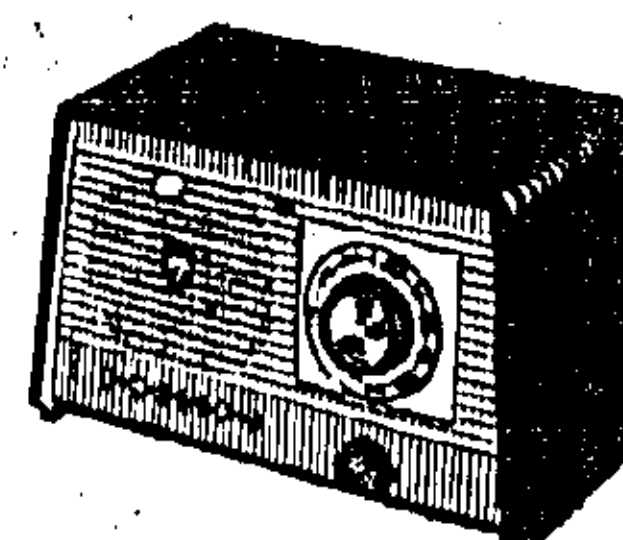
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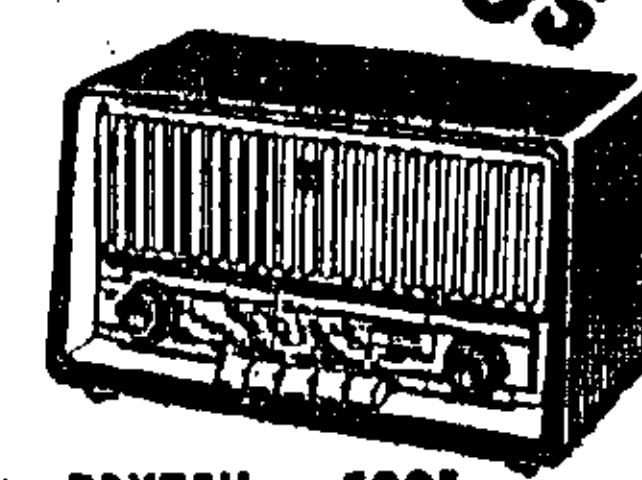
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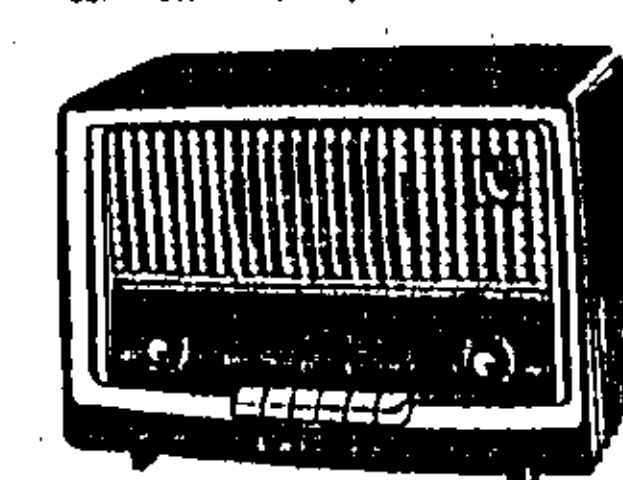
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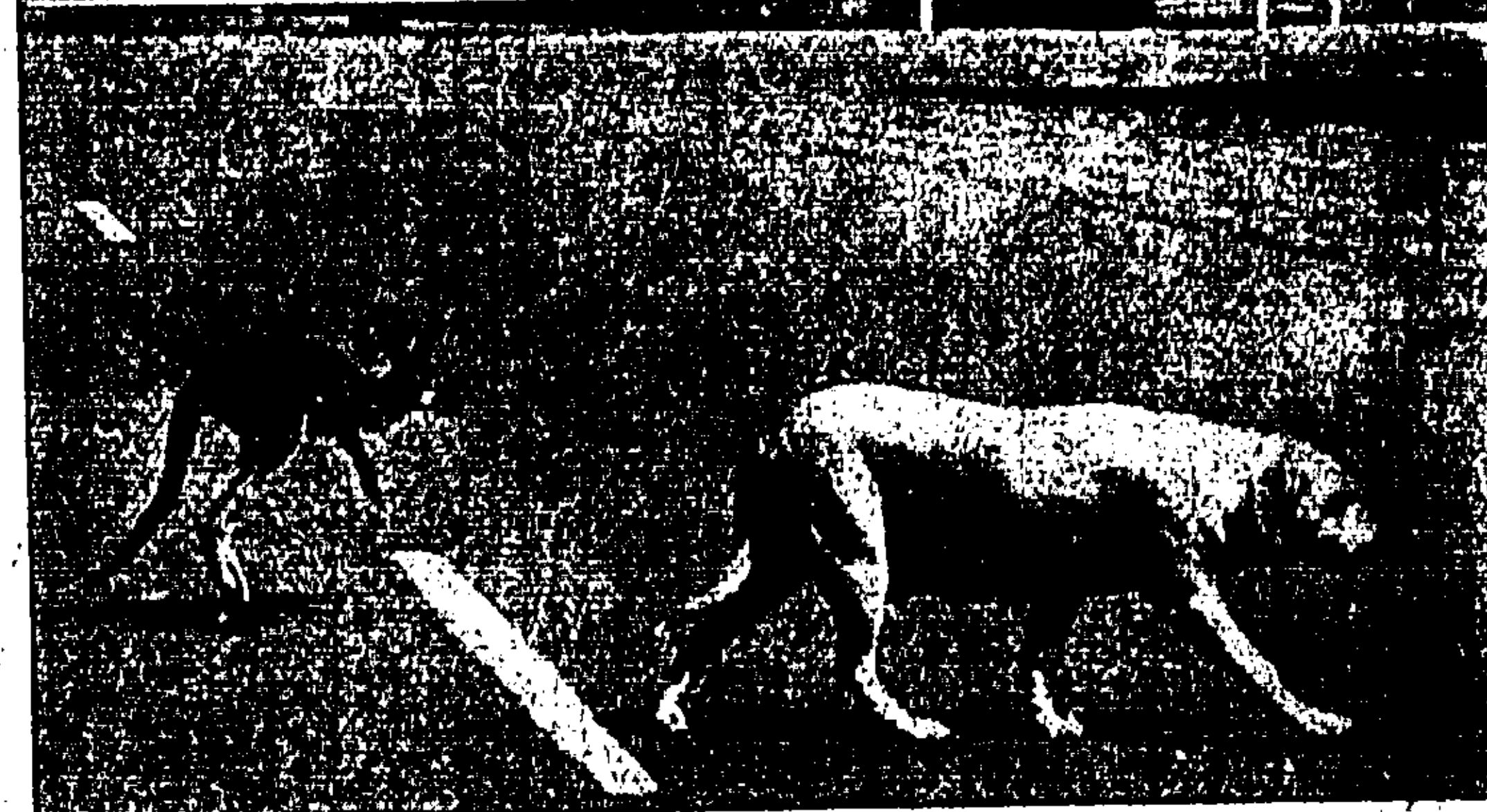
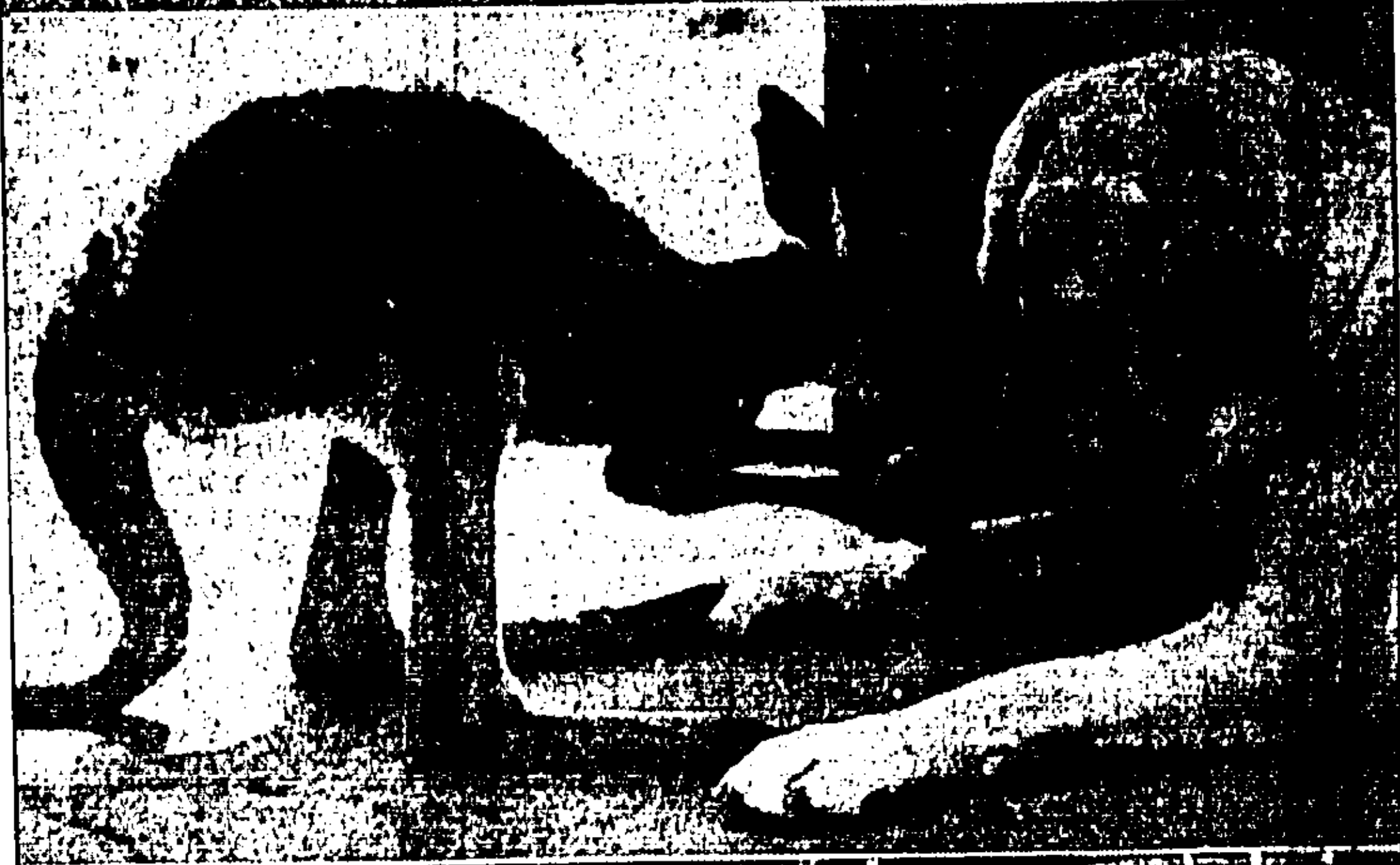
LEFT & BELOW Prince Philip and Mr Butler got the full blast of flour bags, as Mr Butler at Glasgow, and at Edinburgh bearded actor James Robertson Justice were installed as Rectors.

Queen Elizabeth and Prince Philip are seen at the British and Foreign Bible Society, Bible House, London. They hold an early translation of the Society, the Mohawk Indian bible, and the first copy of the Society's latest work: . . . Nestle-Kilpatrick Greek New Testament.

For a girl just one year old (birthday picture) Giselle Fox-Little has had a lot of experience. Daughter of TV's Jacqueline Rose, she is Britain's youngest photographic model. EXPRESS PICTURES



Three student nurses from Hongkong, (from the left) Miss Carmen Chan, Miss May Lo, and Miss Pearl Lieung, are seen at St Pancras Station when they arrived in London. EXPRESS



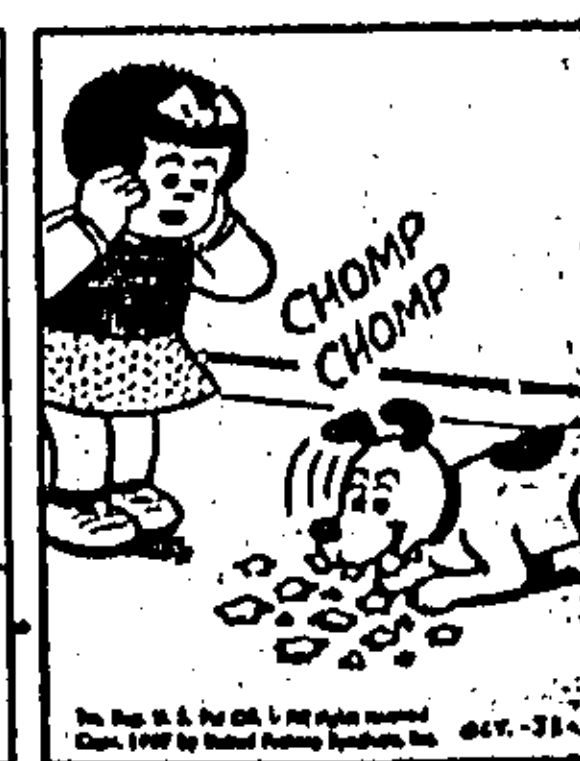
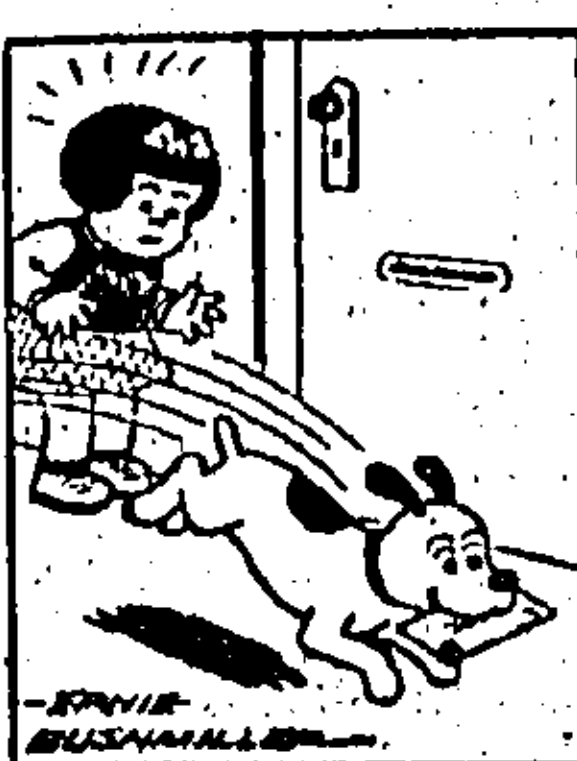
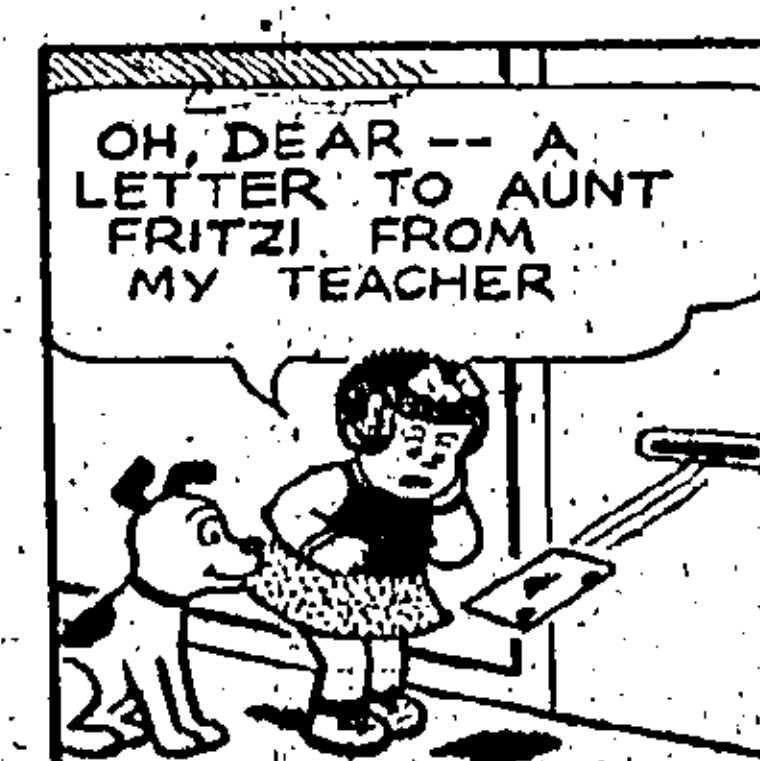
AUSTRALIAN "HOMESIDE" . . . when her mother drove into a kangaroo road hazard, 13-year-old Darryl Wishart brought home the baby, and Soda, a Labrador bitch, raised it along with her own pups. CENTRAL PRESS



RAF Corporal Charles Blunden and Helen Man reunited. Helen refused to leave Hongkong to join her fiancé in England till she received a letter from his mother to say she approved. BELOW: The Marquess of Milford Haven and Eva Bartok are seen at Covent Garden for the opening of Francoise Sagan's ballet. . . Broken Date. EXPRESS



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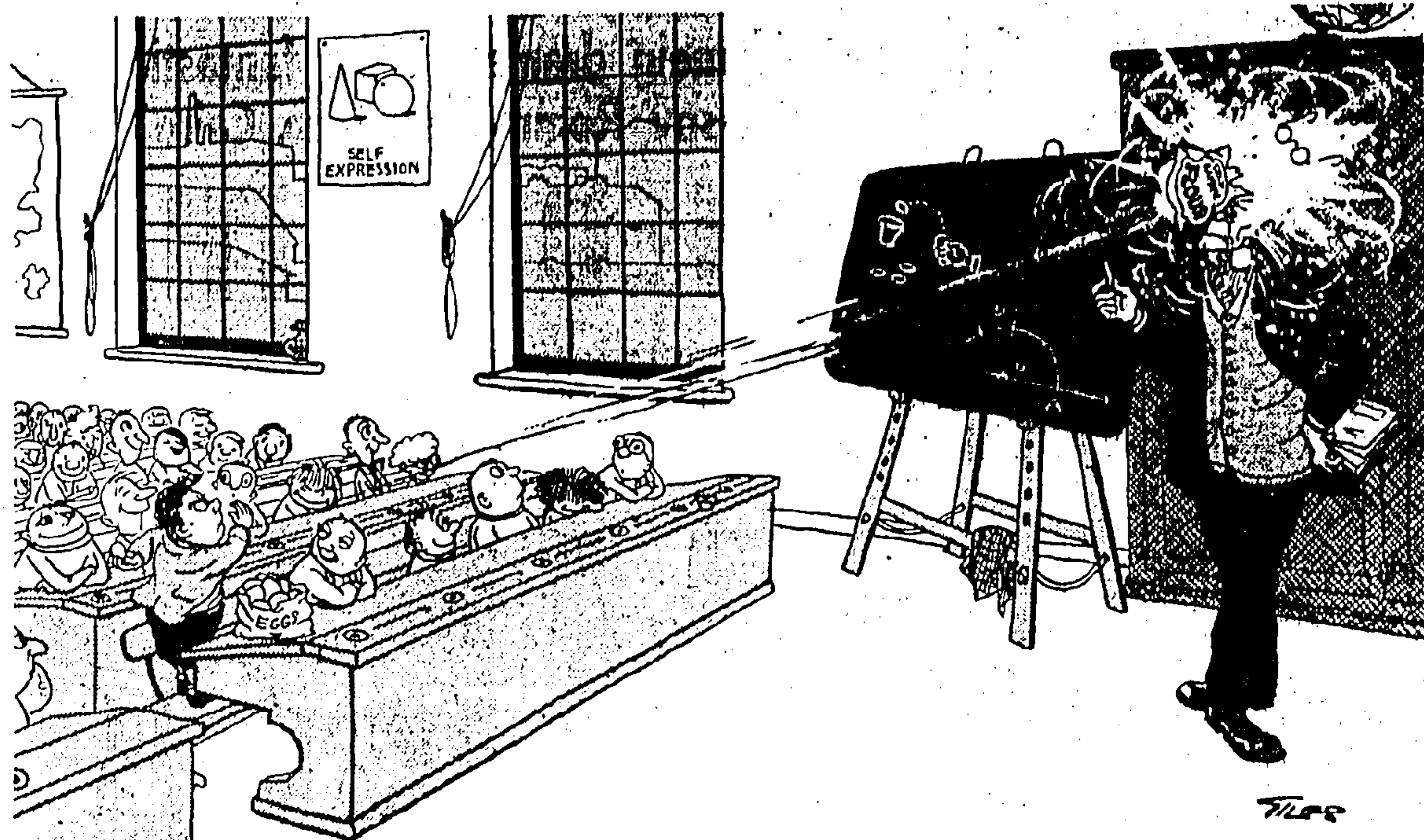


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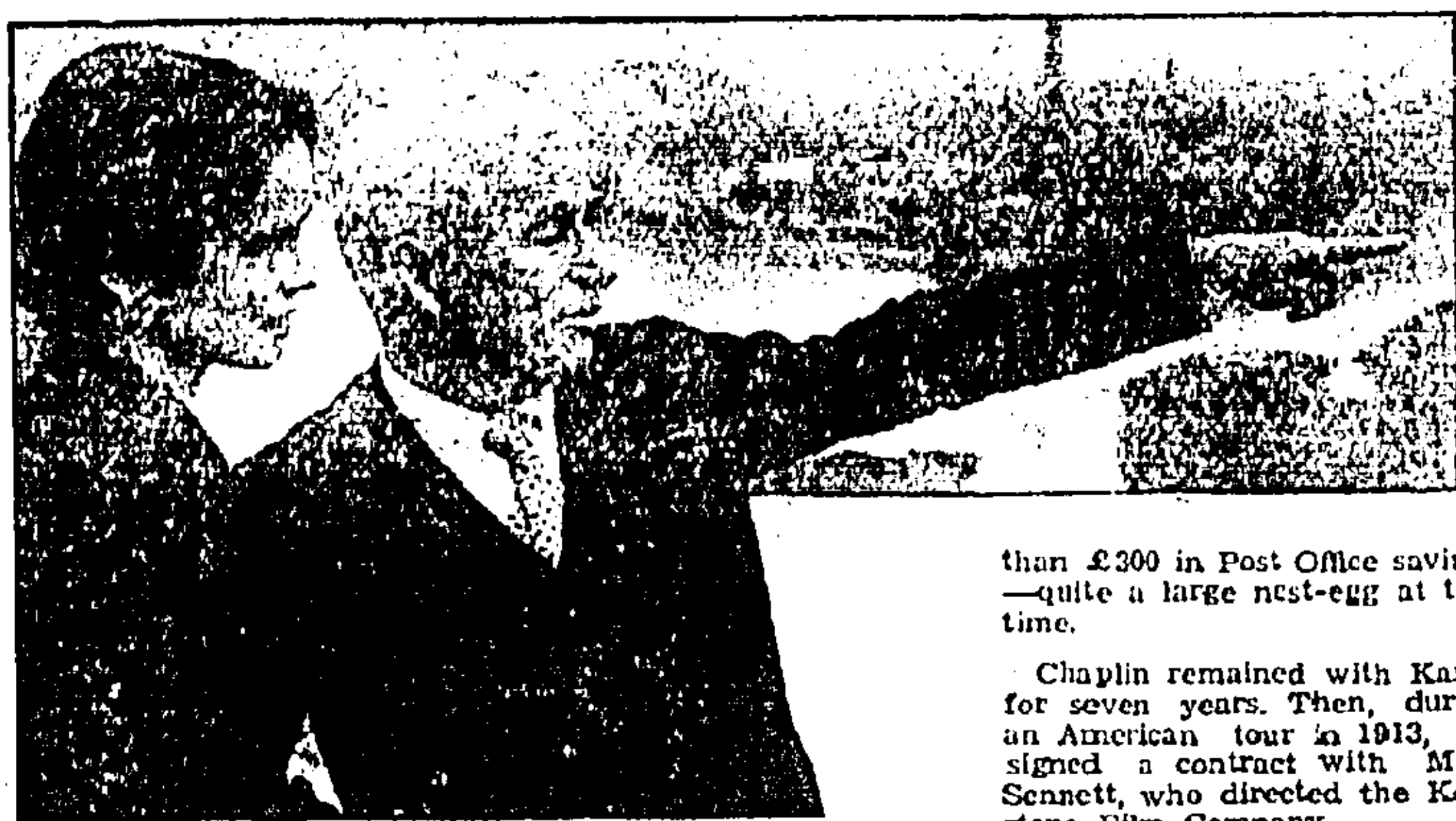
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then £200 in Post Office savings—quite a large nest-egg at that time.

Chaplin remained with Karno for seven years. Then, during an American tour in 1913, he signed a contract with Mack Sennett, who directed the Keystone Film Company.

Rags to Riches

'CHARLIE'



AT the beginning of this century a 10-year-old boy toured Britain in a play called "From Rags to Riches". He had the role of a street waif who wins a fortune. The critics said his performance was "convincing". Today, it would be described as prophetic.

A short time before he went on the stage, the boy actor really had been a street waif—feeding out of garbage bins, sleeping on waste land or in parks, and earning odd coppers by dancing in the streets and selling paper boats.

Five years later, he was to act before King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra. Seven years later he was to become a dollar millionaire. Twenty years later he was to be the honoured guest of royalty and famous statesmen wherever he went.

His name, Charles Spencer Chaplin—now known to millions as the funniest man in silent films. He has become recognised as one of the world's entertainment geniuses and has been elected by members of the film industry as the best actor of the first half of the 20th century.

Poverty Helped Him To Success

Chaplin's rags-to-riches story is unusual in that it is one of the few instances of poverty actually helping to bring prosperity. Without his early experiences as a ragged street urchin, it is doubtful that he could ever have brought such pathos to his screen portrayals of the lovable "down-and-out" with the baggy trousers and curving cane.

Few millionaires have started life in such humble and unhappy circumstances. Charles Chaplin was born in London on April 10, 1889, and lived in a

dingy house in the borough of Kennington. His parents were music-hall artists who had fallen on hard times. Chaplin's father spent most of the family earnings on drink and eventually died of alcoholism. Then Mrs. Chaplin became seriously ill and Charles and his older brother, Syd, were left penniless.

\$15,000 For Signing His Name

The following year, another company offered him a million dollars, plus a 15,000 dollar "signing-on" bonus, for only eighteen months' work. He was to make eight pictures and be his own producer. Chaplin accepted the offer.

The vagabond of Kennington had become the king of Hollywood. Four years before, he was an obscure music-hall artist; now, he was the world's highest-paid film star.

Chaplin, who had received only two years' schooling, now addressed crowds of up to 50,000 people while making a tour to sell Government bonds during World War I. He was received by President Wilson.

He was pursued by adoring fans wherever he went. In 1921, Chaplin returned in triumph to London. The size of the crowd which welcomed him was beyond all expectation; the fans literally dragged him from his train and bore him on their shoulders to his car.

No less than 73,000 letters were delivered to the little man during his three days in London. He visited all his old haunts, even met old pedlars he had known in less prosperous days.

Tea With The Premier

Ten years later, Chaplin made a world tour and received an even warmer welcome. He had tea with the Prime Minister, Ramsay MacDonald, at Chequer and lunched at the House of Commons.

During his travels he met, among other giants of the age, Winston Churchill, Einstein, George Bernard Shaw, King Albert of the Belgians, H.G. Wells and Mahatma Gandhi.

When he met the Prince of Wales, now the Duke of Windsor, they were on "Charlie" and "Buddy" terms within a few minutes.

He was so famous that, in Japan, a group of extremists tried to assassinate him, believing that such an act would spark off the war it wanted with the United States.

But riches did not bring complete happiness for the prince of clowns. There are many turbulent chapters in his life, and he

has endured almost every form of unfavourable publicity.

Chaplin's first three marriages ended in divorce, and his first child, a boy born in 1910, lived only three days.

He received thousands of hostile letters, as well as white feathers, for not enlisting in World War I. In fact, he did not meet the physical requirements to become a soldier.

In 1942 his romantic life aroused severe criticism. Charged under the U.S.A.'s Mann Act with immorality, he was acquitted after a sensational trial.

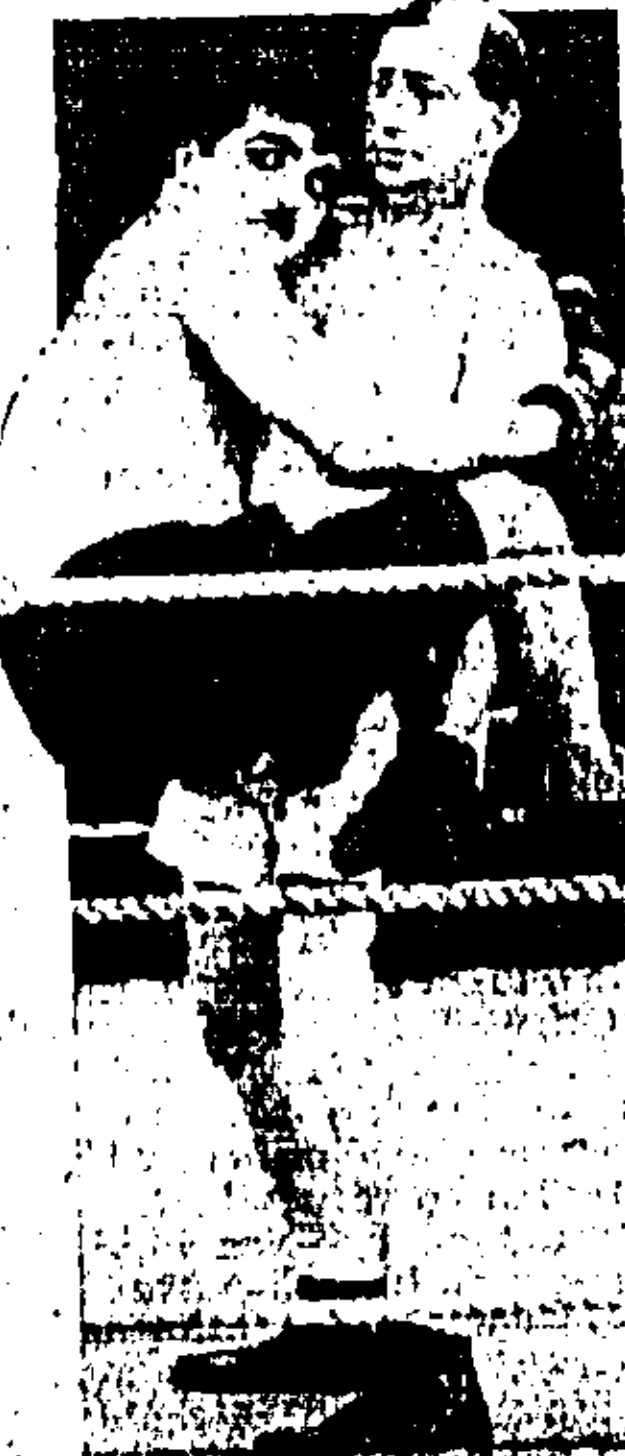
Then, in 1947, despite repeated denials that he was a Communist, the question of his politics became the chief talking-point in the United States.

Chaplin's popularity reached its lowest ebb in 1947. He was attacked in Congress; one Representative even demanded his deportation. "Such can be the price of fame and fortune,"

Finally, after 40 years in the United States, he left the country where he had made millions of dollars and won millions of fans. This time there was no great send-off; he slipped away unwanted and unspurred.

In recent years, however, the great little man from Kennington has succeeded in finding happiness. His fourth marriage to Oona, daughter of playwright Eugene O'Neill, has lasted 14 years.

They have six children and live in a 2,150,000 mansion in Switzerland. Here, as he approaches his seventies, Chaplin enjoys a pleasant climate and low taxation, and can lead a normal family life—as "a citizen of the world."



CHURCHMEN, BANKERS, POLITICIANS, JOURNALISTS...

Who will be next at the Queen's table?

JUST 15 months before Lord Altrincham had his face slapped in Kingsway and Lord Londonderry incurred his grandmother's displeasure, a silent revolution took place in the relations between Palace and people. It went largely unobserved.

On May 11, 1956, a small select group assembled in an ante-chamber at Buckingham Palace. They had come to take lunch with their Sovereign at her invitation. Who were these lucky folk?

They made a mixed bunch. An eminent ecclesiastic, the Bishop of London; a prominent civil servant, Sir Frank Lee; Lord Alderman, a hereditary banker and merchant; Major-General Spry, a leading Boy Scout; two members of the Royal Household; and Sir William Haley, editor of The Times.

Genial gathering

This genial gathering of notables was in at the birth of a fresh attempt to widen the contacts between the Royal Family and their subjects. For this was the first of a series of private lunch and dinner parties to be held at Buckingham Palace.

At least they are described as private parties. But the names of the guests are made public with conspicuous and commendable promptness. So far 16 lunches and five dinners have been given.

That first catholic collection was in many ways typical of its successors. Bankers have continued to secure a generous share of the invitations. Of the 16 members of the Court of the Bank of England four have already been to the Palace. Mr W. J. Keewick was one of the first to receive a summons to lunch.

If bankers have been handsomely done by, hardly less so have civil servants. The permanent heads of eight Departments of State have been invited so far. But whereas bankers seem welcome at dinner, civil servants, on the

whole, go to lunch. (Wives go to dinner but not to lunch.)

As with civil servants, so with the heads of the nationalised industries. Gas, electricity, coal, transport, BOAC, even London Transport; the heads of all the great State Boards have been to the Palace—for lunch.

By comparison, the Foreign Service has not been strongly represented. Only Sir David Kelly and Sir Charles Peake, retired Ambassadors, have been included. MPs have their place at these parties; but it is a restricted one. Specialists have had a full ration of invitations. The Leader has been—with Mrs Galskell (which shows there is no bar on divorcees). And the Deputy Leader, Mr James Griffiths. And the Treasurer, Mr Bevan (he went to lunch; so there was no problem over a black tie). And the Chief Whip.

Many Wire Men have been in the lists, men of good will, members of the new Progressive Establishment. The men who are always ready to chair a Board, eager to give their name to a Committee, game for a good Commission. Men like Sir John Wolfenden, Sir Oliver Franks, Sir Robert Fraser and Sir Kenneth Clark. They were all early at the Palace.

Their particular flavour of high-minded good taste informs the choice of the representatives of the arts. In literature the lot has fallen on men of cultivated tastes. Lord David Cecil, Mr Alan Pryce-Jones, Sir Harold Nicolson, Mr James Pope-Hennessy; these strike the authentic note.

The choice from the acting profession has so far been restricted to actresses: Dame Edith Evans, Miss Flora Robson, Miss Joyce Grenfell. The last named went to dinner with her husband, Mr Reginald Grenfell. Sir Arthur Bliss and Dame Myra Hess have represented music at Her Majesty's table. But no painter has yet been to the Palace—though the President of the Royal Academy, who is a sculptor, went to lunch last June.

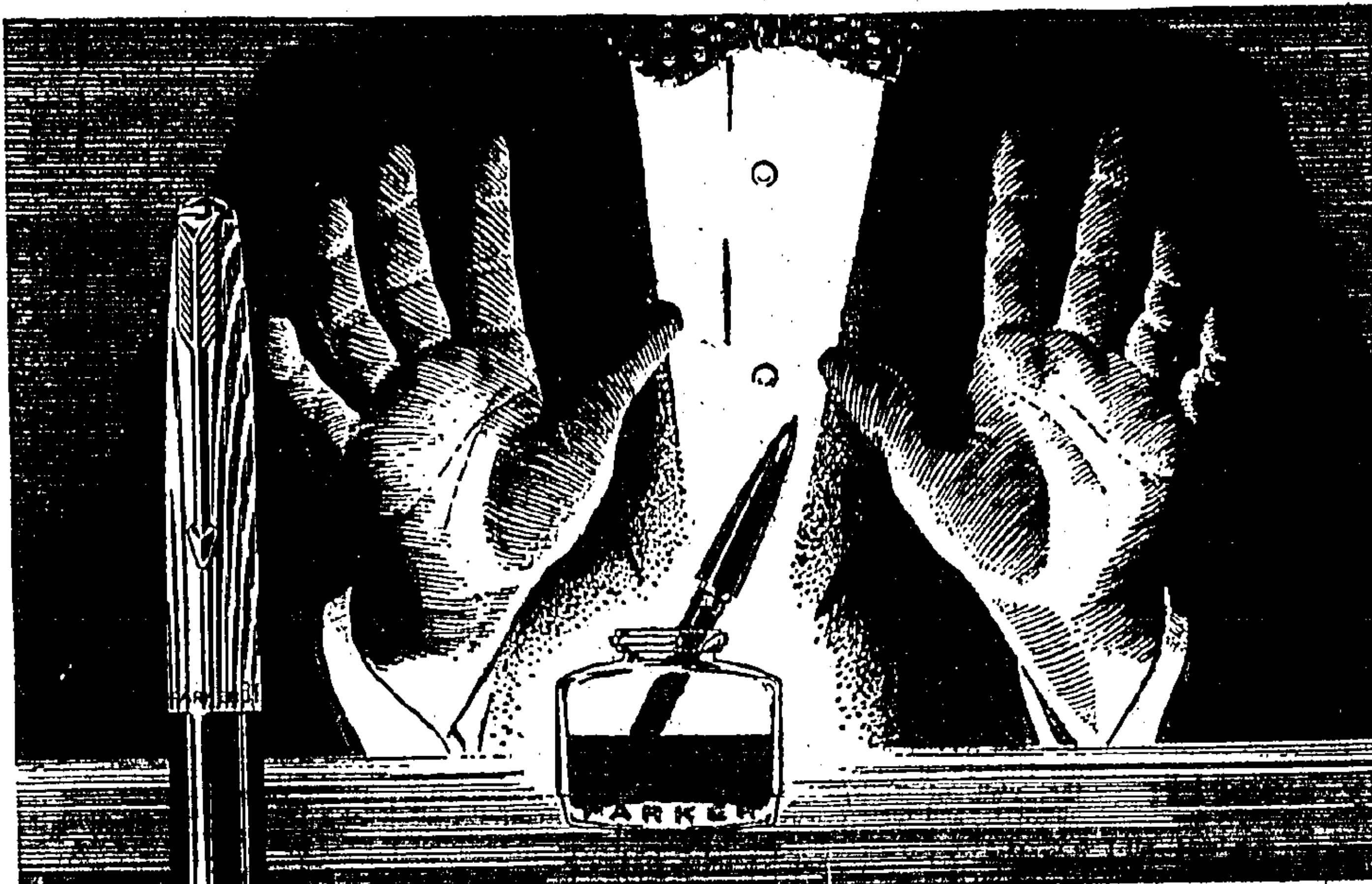
Journalism has had its share. And the provincial Press has enjoyed equal representation with the national newspapers. Besides Sir William Haley, editors invited are Mr David Astor, of the Observer, Sir Linton Andrews, of the Yorkshire Post, Mr A. G. Jeans, of the Liverpool Daily Post and Echo, and Sir Geoffrey Crompton, co-editor of the Economist.

Young men have not been left out. Those chosen, however, tend to be men of action rather than of anger. Mr Christopher Brasher, Group Captain John Cunningham, Group Captain Leonard Cheshire, Mr Donald Campbell; these are the favoured breed. And the Rev. David Sheppard. Though, come to think of it, he may have been picked as much for his cloth as for his flannels.

For the Church has been well represented. Ever since that first occasion when the Bishop of London lent his presence, well-placed clerics have lunched—always lunched—at the Palace. Even Dissent has been there in the shape of Dr Leslie Weatherhead. But no Roman Catholic prelate so far.

Now with the Court back in London, this fascinating series of parties has started up again. Everyone will have his favourite candidates for inclusion. But the choice will be the Queen's—assisted by the suggestions of her Master of the Household.

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His name is John Eppler. His story is one of the most fantastic spy exploits of the war... an episode that nearly turned the tide of battle against Britain. Now, for the first time, the story of Rommel's master-spy in Cairo can be told in full.

At five minutes past nine o'clock on the evening of November 2, 1957, a black, mud-spattered car with a French number plate pulled into the kerb opposite 84, Isesstrasse, a side street in the outer suburbs of Hamburg. From it climbed a plump blonde and a frisky golden retriever puppy on a lead. For a few minutes the girl and the dog walked through the drizzle, stopping beside a lamp-post, pausing to look in the seedy shop-windows; and then, casually, they strolled back to the car and the girl nodded through the open window.

Immediately a youngish man slid out of the door and walked swiftly across the pavement and into the dark hall of No. 84, followed by his companions. From the open door of the top flat, on the fourth floor, we could hear them coming: the dog whining unwearyingly, the man whispering: "Still, Klaus, halt die Mau!" and the clumping footsteps of the heavy-breathing blonde.

Stiff whiskies

I POURED out two stiff whiskies and the man took his and drank it. The moment he came into the room, then, he sat down opposite me and my companions, took a revolver from the holster in the pit of his shoulder, and placed it beside his glass.

"I'm John Eppler," he said, and grinned at the revolver. "Don't take any notice of that thing. I just wear it to keep my shoulders straight. Now tell me why you wanted me to come here."

I said: "The same old Eppler—always showing off." And then, while he examined me closely: "You don't recognise me?"

"No, should I?"

"Cairo," I told him. "The summer of 1942, just before the Battle of Alamein. We had a drink together in the Kilt Kat. With a dinner named after me."

"My God," he broke in, "the British Secret Service against what do you want me for now?"

"Not quite," I said. "The only secret agent in the room is you, John. And you were a German spy."

He put his stubby hand to his face and rubbed his spidery fingers across his forehead, as if to erase some of the memories locked away inside his skull. We all waited in silence. And then a self-conscious grin came back to his lips. He reached for his glass, took a deep swig of whisky, and the tension went out of his body.

"That's right," he said. "A German spy, working for Germany. How did you find me? I thought I had covered all my tracks. And what do you want from me now?"

"Only confirmation of the fact that you're still alive," I said.

My search

AND that, in fact, was all I did want to know about John (or Johannes) Eppler; though I had spent nearly two years in West and East Germany, in the night clubs and bars of Hamburg, Düsseldorf, Munich, Kaiserslautern, the Saarland, and Berlin trying to trace him.

For, so far as the rest of his remarkable history is concerned, I probably know more about him than he does himself.

To millions of Germans John Eppler is the most daring and successful German spy of the last world war. At a grave moment in the story of the battle for North Africa, Eppler carried out an incredible mission for the Abwehr, the Nazi secret service.

It was that dark summer of 1942, when the Eighth Army, who is John Eppler and how did he become the most daring German spy of them all?

It was during his formative years, as a child in Germany, that he developed the particular quality that the dedicated spy needs to have: a deep and abiding antipathy towards those against whom he is spying.

He was born in Kaiserslautern in the Saar Palatinate in 1914,

Beginning CAT AND MOUSE,

THE SPY WHO DINED WITH BRITISH STAFF OFFICERS

by LEONARD MOSLEY

It was information which could be obtained only on the spot, from the British themselves; how they would dispose their troops, what soldier would lead them in the last stand, the exact date and manner in which they would meet the German onslaught, and what help the Germans could be expected to receive from their friends in the Egyptian Army.

It was the most important mission the Germans gave to one of their agents during the war, and Eppler was the spy chosen to carry it out. "Go to Cairo," ordered Rommel.

He had the background and qualifications for the task. He was young and brave and physically strong. He knew Egypt intimately. He spoke fluent English and Arabic, and he had many friends behind the British lines.

From June 1942 he was the arch-enemy in our midst. He moved freely about Egypt, dining at the clubs, playing golf as he pleased, with British officers and civilian employees at G.H.Q. in Cairo.

He was a habitué of a night club where a certain exponent of that specialized Egyptian terpsichore, the belly-dance, gyrated each evening for the delectation of elderly pashas and young British officers.

The name of this young dancer was Hekmat Fahmy, and many ex-members of the Eighth Army will undoubtedly remember her.

Sometimes Eppler wore British uniform; sometimes he posed as an Egyptian youth; sometimes he was a Free French officer.

He swam through the feverish waters of Cairo, all through that nervous summer, like a tireless frogman, spearing sprays of information and sending them, by Abwehr listening-posts in the desert, in Athens, and Smyrna. And sometimes he landed a whale.

For six of the most crucial weeks of the war, a small red flag was pinned into a map of the Nile Delta which hung on the wall of Hitler's headquarters, and that meant that John Eppler was in Cairo, and operating.

Small wonder that the Germans held Eppler today. And do you believe that many of them believe that if only Rommel, at the head of their army, had displayed as much skill and resource as the agent behind the British lines in Egypt, Africa might have been won?

It wasn't quite like that, however, as this story will show.

If John Eppler helped to win the war for anyone, it was for Britain. The fact that he himself probably does not know, even to this day, how much he helped gives this story the most bizarre and ironic twist of all.

Who is John Eppler and how did he become the most daring German spy of them all?

It was during his formative years, as a child in Germany, that he developed the particular quality that the dedicated spy needs to have: a deep and abiding antipathy towards those against whom he is spying.

He was born in Kaiserslautern in the Saar Palatinate in 1914,

and he grew up among the British Army of Occupation in the years following the 1914-18 War. Like most German children, he was not encouraged to love the conquerors.

When Eppler was still a young boy, his widowed mother was offered a job as a chambermaid in an hotel in Port Said, and when she sailed for Egypt she took John Eppler with her.

She was a plump, pretty, and intelligent young woman, and it was not long before she met, and subsequently married, an Egyptian lawyer named Abdel Gasser. Life for her and for her son changed considerably after that.

Her new husband—the subsequently became a judge—was comfortably off. He not only gave his name to his wife but to Eppler too, and he was named Hussein Gasser. He was sent to school in Port Said, Alexandria, and Cairo, where he quickly learned excellent English and Arabic.

But Hussein never lost his love for his own country, nor his inherent hostility towards the British troops who, he felt, were occupying his step-father's country too. "Oh, these arrogant empire-builders!" he used to say, scornfully, "with their private clubs and elegant ways!"

He grew up to be a bright, gregarious youth with a streak of recklessness.

Loveliest

IN the years before 1939 and the outbreak of war, Hussein (John Eppler) Gasser lived the life of a typical Egyptian play-boy. He gambled heavily at the San Stefano Casino on the Mediterranean, and lost. He mixed with dancing girls and became close friends of two who were subsequently to become famous names among the British Army in Egypt: Tahla Carleca and Hekmat Fahmy, the most expert and exotic dancers in the Middle East.

He also made his first contact with the German Intelligence services. In 1939, a few weeks before the Munich crisis, he was on holiday at the fashionable hill resort of Ain Sofar, in the Lebanon.

Fitting between the night clubs of Beirut and the plush parties that holiday-making pashas gave at the big hotels in the hills, Eppler's avid young eye often fell upon the slim, radiant, exotic figure of a young Oriental girl.

She was known in the Lebanon as Su-Yan and she came from Indo-China. He thought that she was quite the loveliest girl he had ever seen, and he tried hard to exact some response from her to his obvious admiration.

But Su-Yan had no time for him, no matter how young and handsome, who were only moderately wealthy; and the long, slow look that she gave him back from her brown, slanting eyes was cool and cynical and indifferent.

Until one evening that was to change his life.

He was sitting, bored and disconsolate, at the bar when he saw Su-Yan walk into the room, and for a moment all he had eyes for was her.

Now you can take up where you left off with that little Siamese kitten. A faint smile lit her face for a moment. "Don't worry about the competition. Shall leave them all for you now. I've told her to."

This series is adopted from The Cat and the Mouse, to be published later this year.

Su-Yan came over to him... and her smile was inviting

breath-taking, sure in its all, Oriental goyn.

Then he noticed that this time she was not accompanied by some elderly, oil-sheek or nervous, hashish-boosted princeling, but by a very ordinary middle-aged woman.

Not only that. When she saw him looking at her, she smiled, openly, frankly, invitingly. And when he could not believe the evidence of his own senses, she even got up from her table and came over to him.

"Please," she said. "We are all friends here. May I be very immodest and ask you to ask me to dance?"

At the end of 10 delightful minutes Su-Yan led Eppler back to the table, where the very ordinary woman had been watching them.

"This," said Su-Yan, "is Paula."

"Sit down," said Paula. And when Eppler had obeyed, she waved her hand at Su-Yan. "All right," she said, in a tone of dismissal.

Without a word, the Indo-Chinese girl walked slowly away. And as Eppler watched her go the woman Paula said: "There'll be plenty of time for the later." And then, abruptly, in German: "John Eppler, do you love your Fatherland?"

He hesitated. "Are you German, then?"

"Yes," said Eppler. "I love my Fatherland."

"Well enough to work for us—against the British? To take risks, if necessary? Even risk your life?"

Eppler nodded. All the laughter had gone from his face. "You wouldn't be asking me all these questions unless you already knew the answers. But who are you? And what do you want me to do?"

Paula sipped her coffee and said: "You'll find out who I am in time. And for the moment we want nothing from you—except the promise that you will be available when the time comes. It may not be long now, and then we will call upon you."

Meanwhile, continue as you have been doing. But don't forget, John Eppler, not for one minute, that you are a German—and that from now on you are working for us."

She gestured to Eppler to indicate that her talk was over. She looked towards the bar, where Su-Yan was engaged with a champagne cocktail and a pasha.

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Eppler got up in a state of confusion and walked to

Europe, and British-controlled Middle East. It was used by both sides as an important listening post for information about the enemy.

Around the big spy organizations filled the small "10-piastre" spies, riff-raff who haunted the dance halls of night-clubs and hotels of the city, picking up what information they could entice or fish from the unwary.

They usually sold it to the side prepared to pay the higher fee, but when they tried to unload it on both sides, as they sometimes greedily did, they rarely lived to regret it.

The body of a bar-girl in the Bosphorus was no unusual find in those days, and the Turkish secret police were not too energetic in their inquiries, so long as the body was not identified as Turkish, and so long as their neutrality was not embarrassed nor infringed.

Eppler presumed he would be meeting agents, or scheming Middle East politicians, who would bring him up to date on the situation in Egypt; and he was right. He was to find out that at that time of the year, was fine, the Bosphorus balmy and more beautiful than ever, he was in no hurry to fulfil his mission.

He decided to take a stroll and soon found himself in a bar, buying himself a drink—since that was the kind of man he was, one also for a girl attached to the establishment.

Her name was Elena Andreanu and she was a Rumanian dancer who supplemented her income by selling scraps of information she picked up from her clients.

Eppler left her after a second drink but arranged to meet her later that evening. He strolled back to his hotel well-satisfied with the way things were going, a couple of drinks under his belt, a good dinner in prospect, and an evening with a pretty woman.

He was picked up by two shadow-men from the Abwehr before he had walked more than a hundred yards. Within half an hour he was in contact once more with Frau Paula Koch.

Frau Koch, about whom someone will write an authentic story one day (she once persuaded Churchill to sign an autograph for her at a crucial moment in the war), she knew the Cairo who burgled the scrolls out of an ambassador's trousers; she helped to smuggle the rebel Iraqi chief, Rashid Ali to Berlin under the noses of British intelligence.

He did as he was bid. All he knew of all information infiltrating into Turkey from the Middle East.

"You realize," she said to Eppler, "that the moment of victory is approaching in the Middle East, and that your job

is to go there and help to consolidate it."

"We vitally need information from the Cairo," and yet we have been thwarted every time we try to get it. Our last two agents, Muhlenbruch and Klein, failed to make it, and Muhlenbruch is dead."

"Now we rely upon you, Cairo is your mission. And what do we find? Within a few hours of your arrival, you go drinking and talking with a cheap informant who will report to the British everything you have said. What did you tell her?"

Eppler laughed. "Why, nothing, except to say that I used to live in Egypt. She knows nothing about me."

whether I had heard any untoward noises in the night. I told him about the amorously noisy sounds from next door.

This sent him and his companion into a mild paroxysm of laughter.

"Mukling love!" said one of them. "Is that what you think was happening next door? Come and see!"

They dragged me, a seedy and overhung sack, from my bed into the room next door. Inside, there was a tortured shape lying on the bed. It had once been the body of a woman, but no longer answered to that description. Beside the bed was an empty coffee cup, spilled over.

With the cool and practical despatch of very unimaginative men, my two companions untwisted the sorry tangle on the bed and bared her face for me to view. No, I said, I did not know her. But they obviously did.

They straightened her clenched fists and from inside one of them extracted a small twist of cardboard from a cigarette packet. I picked it up as it fell to the floor, and read it. "Gasser, Egypt, Boche Agent, Sadat."

They grabbed it from me, and pushed me with jovial firmness from the room. "It was not until 12 hours later that I learned from my knowledgeable friend MacPherson, a business man in Istanbul, that the dead woman (murdered by strychnine, a horrid, limb-twisting death) was the bar-girl Elena Andreanu."

To the British, of course, the name Sadat was nothing new. He was already suspected as the leader of the young, anti-British officers' group in the Egyptian Army. But nobody knew at that time who "Gasser" was.

Meanwhile, back in Berlin, an important agent of the Abwehr, who is known even today only by the name of The Angel—he is still working for Germany and was giving John Eppler, otherwise Hussein Gasser, final instructions for his all-important mission to Cairo.

On the morning of May 2, 1942, Eppler flew to Rommel's headquarters in Africa. He carried with him 200,000, packed into a suitcase, in sterling notes and gold sovereigns.

Operation Condor, as it came to be known, was about to begin.

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Sinister...

"GOOD. Then let us get down to the matter in hand. Soon you will be in Cairo. I have here a list of agents who will contact you once you get to Cairo. And here is a summary of the way in which you must act when you get there..."

For two hours Frau Koch drilled Eppler in the latest developments as reported by her agents, of what was going on behind the British lines in Egypt—lists of names and addresses, tips on the behaviour of British troops, and an overall briefing on life in Egypt.

At the end of it, she let him go with a final warning: "Don't talk to anyone."

Forty-eight hours later Eppler was back in Berlin to await his final movement order.

But back in Istanbul a sinister thing happened. By one of those coincidences of war, I had just about this time come to Turkey.

The hotel I chose seemed seedy but respectable. I left my baggage and went for my first evening out to film show at the British Embassy.

The Turks were being careful of their neutrality, and films from belligerent countries were being barred from public screens.

My baggage had been somewhere around one o'clock in the morning and from the adjoining room, heard the clatter of cups and what I took to be much good-humoured and amorous scuffling.

I shrugged my shoulders and went to sleep. At 6 a.m. I was awakened by a rough shaking from a man in a hat. He was a Turkish Secret Police man and he had my passport in his hand. He asked me brusquely and suspiciously,

NEXT WEEK

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I WOULD NOT HAVE HAD ISMAY'S JOB

On November 18, 1941, General Auchinleck began his long-awaited offensive in the Western Desert. The same day Kennedy was told that General Sir Alan Brooke was to succeed General Dill as Chief of the Imperial General Staff.

Brooke took over on December 1. By then it was clear that the offensive had failed.

On the 7th news of Pearl Harbour came in. America was now in the war on our side. But there was much bad news from the Far East culminating in the loss of Singapore on February 16, 1942.

THIS was a trying time for the Prime Minister and for the Chiefs-of-Staff. Brooke was standing up well to the strain, supported by his sense of humour. He was rapidly acquiring an effective technique for dealing with Churchill. He told me, one day in February, that he no longer attempted to reply when the Prime Minister declaimed. "I just sit silent," he said, "and put up an umbrella." When Churchill found that he could not start an argument, he always became more reasonable.

I was myself becoming something of a connoisseur in the various ways of dealing with the Prime Minister, having witnessed so many different approaches. Lord Salisbury seemed to be the most expert performer. He had a gentle, almost diffident, manner. But behind his gentleness was a quality of steel and everybody, including the Prime Minister, knew that it was impossible to deflect him from whatever he thought right.

Blunt opinions

By totally different methods Mr. Bevin could achieve almost the same effect; in his case, his persuasiveness was due to the combination of blunt and bluff opinions, allied to honesty, courage and common sense. Mr. Attlee's staccato, matter-of-fact approach was different from both of these, but was also extremely effective. Some other Ministers, although acutely intelligent and of strong character, rarely carried their points in these open discussions.

Brooke was quick, decisive and methodical; he was not afraid to decentralise, and he was so little seen in the War Office that it was said of him that he knew his way to only two rooms there: his own, and the lavatory. He quickly adjusted his routine to Churchill's, and used to disappear for three hours in the afternoon, during which he pursued his own avocations, chiefly nosing round the bookshelves for bird books.

As a rule, he never came back to the War Office after dinner. In these respects he was far better equipped for the rigours of his job than Dill who had not the same facility for skimming the cream off the work, and whose only pastime—riding—was not

easily indulged in from the War Office. And whereas Dill was sensitive to a fault, Brooke was able to grow a thick skin in which the Prime Minister's banter did not stick.

The course of the operations in the desert, since Auchinleck had taken over, had failed to inspire the Government with great confidence in his leadership; but his position was still strong.

Now, at the beginning of March, there began a chain of events which culminated in his removal five months later. It was in March that he sent us an appreciation of the situation, which indicated that his outlook had become defensive. It was true that Rommel's forces had been strengthened, while Auchinleck's had been depleted by withdrawals to the Far East. But the view we took in London was that, the longer he waited before he attacked Rommel, the



GENERAL SIR ALAN BROOKE
nosing round the bookshelves.

poorer would be his chances of holding his position. And the Navy were desperately anxious that Auchinleck should regain airfields in Cyrenaica from which our aircraft might be able to cover the passage of convoys into Malta.

The Chiefs-of-Staff sent Auchinleck a telegram. They told him that he should adopt a more offensive attitude. This telegram was sent instead of one that Churchill had drafted himself, and was couched in more

FOR ANYTHING IN THE WORLD

courteous language. We agreed with the tenor of the Prime Minister's draft, but we thought it better to omit such remarks as that "armies were not intended to stand about doing nothing," that "soldiers were meant to fight," and so on. Auchinleck sent an unsatisfactory reply. He argued that the issue which he faced was far bigger than the security of Malta, and that a premature offensive would jeopardise our whole position in the Middle East. In fact he stuck to his previous opinion.

In the end Brooke said he felt inclined to hold Auchinleck to his estimate that the offensive might be possible in the middle of June, which was a month later than the original date we had aimed at. A convoy was due to be run into Malta in mid-June, and an offensive then would provide some cover for it.

Brooke's view was accepted by the other Chiefs-of-Staff and the Cabinet. Churchill drafted a telegram to Auchinleck in which he was given a direct order to engage Rommel in time to assist the passage of the Malta convoy at latest.

Churchill broadcast on May 10, I thought it his best up to date, although he seemed to me to stress the importance of bombing Germany rather too much. We were always sensitive about this, because it increased our difficulties in our attempts to provide for the essential needs of the Navy and the Army. All the same, it was an excellent speech, and a general impression in Whitehall was that his prestige was waxing again. There was also a feeling that his judgment was growing more balanced. Looking back on this period, I have a suspicion that it was Brooke's influence beginning to bear fruit.

On May 25 I made a note in my diary: "The Parliamentary debate on the Combined General Staff and the higher direction of the war have fizzled out.... In the end Winston has been left supreme, and stronger than before, and it has been demonstrated again that all the other politicians are pigmies compared with him, and that his hold on the country and his place in the eyes of our allies, are such that a change in leadership at this time unthinkable. And there is no doubt that, despite his strategical vagaries, he is a great leader."

In the end, Rommel moved in the desert before Auchinleck. He advanced on May 26, and drove a wedge into our positions. Auchinleck sent us fairly optimistic reports and we formed the impression that he was much happier now that the period of suspense was over.

Starvation

A fortnight later the battle still dragged on and we remained on the defensive, while Rommel retained the initiative. It was now clear that the course of the fighting would not help us much with the May convoys, and the prospect was growing dim of gaining air bases, farther to the West, from which to protect our ships. We were even getting anxious for Malta. It was decided to try to run in two convoys in June simultaneously, one from each end of the Mediterranean.

If no ships got in, we calculated that Malta would starve in a month or so.

Churchill's personal position was stronger than it had been a few months back, though perhaps still not strong enough to survive great reverses. Prime Ministers need luck as well as Generals. Prime Ministers who usurp the role of Commanders-in-Chief need a double dose of it. His bloodiness had certainly been justified on several occasions, and had strengthened his position vis-à-vis the Chiefs-of-Staff. He had sent a hundred tanks to Wavell and the May convoy to Russia against naval advice; the first had got through, and only two or six ships out of forty had been lost from the Russian convoy. The capture of Madagascar had been largely due to his insistence. And these were not the only instances.

On June 4 General Ismay, the Military Secretary to the

War Cabinet, dined with me at the Carlton Grill. We were indeed fortunate to have Ismay to take so much of the initial shock of the Prime Minister's impact on the Staffs. He never claimed that he influenced Churchill to any extent, and probably he did not. No man capacity to deal seriously with Churchill could have retained Ismay's post for very long. He was always charmingly frank in admitting that his chief function

was to act as whipping boy, and as a person to whom Churchill could blow off steam at all hours of the night and day.

We all felt we would not have had his job for anything in the world. He was, in his own right, one of the most remarkable men of the war.

On the morning of June 10 the Prime Minister sent me a telephone message that he wished to see me at No. 10.

The first half-hour was spent in going over recent reports of German losses and reinforcements.

Churchill then held forth for nearly an hour about past events in the Middle East, and about the situation of Auchinleck's forces.

He got up and walked to and fro as he spoke, exclaiming repeatedly: "I don't know what we can do for that Army. All our efforts to help them seem to be in vain." He went over all the attempts he had made to strengthen the Middle East—he had sent fresh divisions out to them, he had got Sherman tanks out of the President for them, and so on. "Nothing seems to help them. And I am the one who gets his neck wrung when things go wrong."

Under June 10, there is a note in my diary, "The Mediterranean situation is in rather a mess."

His influence

Our operations appeared to have been piecemeal in character, and there seemed to have been no real effort to organise a concentrated counter-stroke after Rommel's first attack. We fully realised the heavy disadvantage Auchinleck suffered in the poor quality of our tanks, which were inferior to those of the Germans. We had sent him tanks in large numbers, but quality was no substitute for quality.

As the battle developed, Churchill sent a succession of telegrams of advice and exhortation to Auchinleck. These were usually read over the telephone to the Chiefs-of-Staff before being despatched, but, despite this precaution, it seems certain that the conduct of

the operations would be unduly influenced by the personality of the Prime Minister. I wrote in my diary at the time, "It is such a pity that Winston's fine courage and drive cannot be harnessed to the war effort in a more rational way."

On June 21 we received a telegram from Auchinleck in which he stated that the Tobruk garrison was adequate, and that he would be able to stage a counter-offensive from Sollum in such a way as to make Tobruk secure. This telegram was laid on my table simultaneously with another which reported the fall of Tobruk.

At this black moment Churchill and Brooke were both away in Washington, and each

has described how he heard the news—Churchill in the presence of Roosevelt. Brooke in that of Marshall. On June 23 Sir John Wardlaw-Milne, MP, put down his Vote of Censure on the conduct of the war, and Churchill dealt with it in the House of Commons on July 2. He carried the House by 475 votes to 25.

NEXT WEEK
Winston's eyes flashed
—"This is a soft job," he said.

GENERAL ISMAY... "a person to whom Churchill could blow off steam at all hours of the night and day."

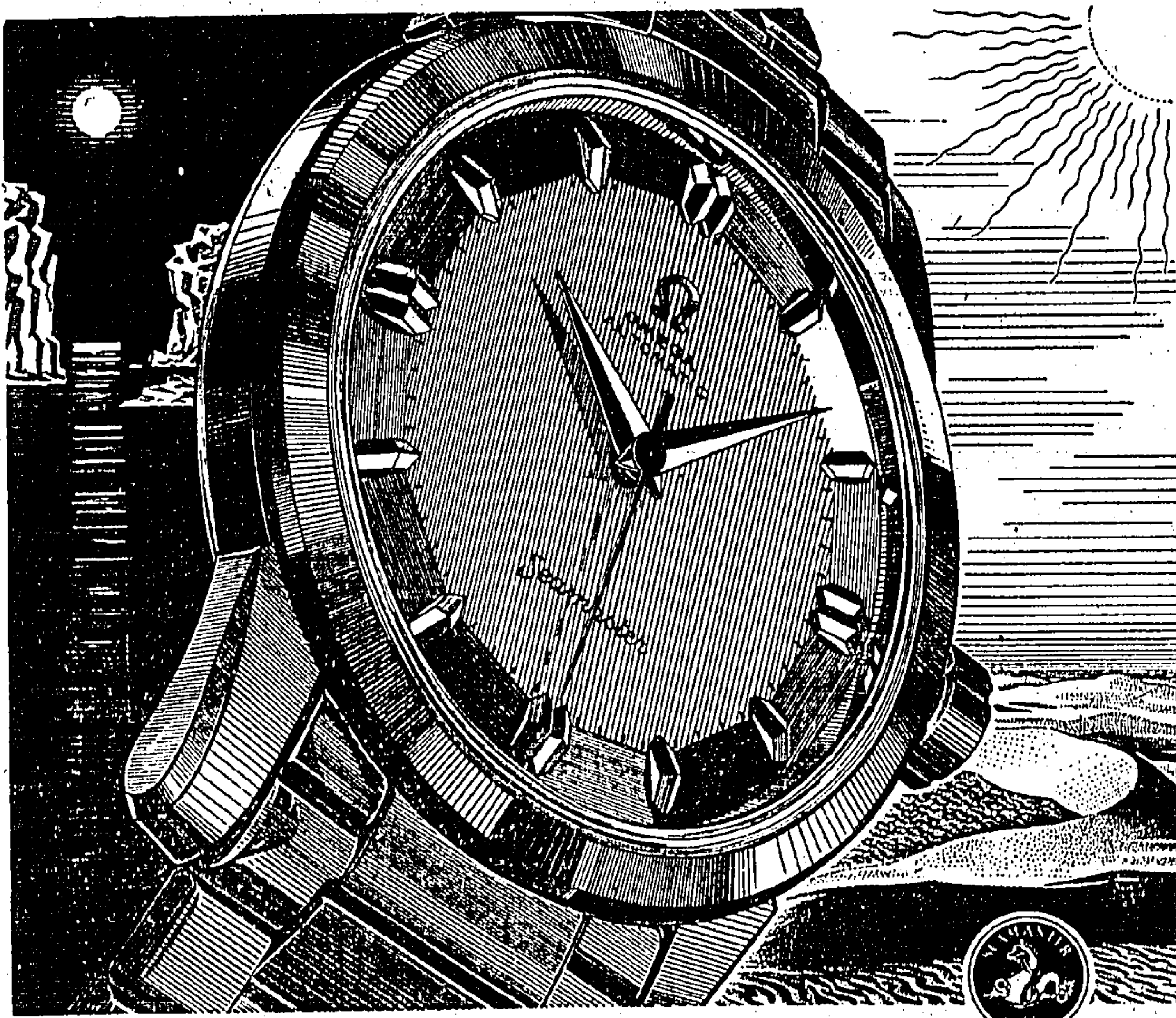


THE BUSINESS OF WAR

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COMMENTARY BY FRANK OWEN

IN his instalment today, General Kennedy tells how General Sir Alan Brooke, newly appointed Chief of the Imperial General Staff, developed a more successful technique of handling the Prime Minister, Winston Churchill, than certain other previous Chiefs-of-Staff. He simply did not enter into provocative argument with "the Old Man."

Alan Brooke also found a method of dealing with Churchill's habit of taking an hour's siesta in the afternoon. He just went off on his own (for three hours!) pursuing his hobby of scouring the London bookshops for works on birdlore. And he did not return to the War Office after dinner.

So while the CIGS thus found some time, too, for his other literary interests, i.e., composing his War Diaries, he also avoided having to argue with the Prime

Minister on the elements of strategy into the late hours of the night.

Perhaps this saved him further valuable time. For Winston Churchill, as General Kennedy says, though he was wrong in some things, happened to be dead right on several other issues in which he opposed the advice of the Chief-of-Staff. The sending of tanks both to Russia and to Egypt was justified in each event, and his insistence on seizing the French-owned Isle of Madagascar in the Indian Ocean secured the Allies' naval command of that ocean, and possibly prevented a Japanese sea assault on India.

On these three questions, certainly, the Civilian appreciation turned out to be shrewder than that of the Service chiefs.

"And these," notes General Kennedy, "were not the only instances."

THE LAST DAYS OF SHANGHAI

GAZING out up on the river, the business man said to me, "You see, there is a ship in already. They are a remarkable people. You have no idea of how quickly they can recover. I've seen this town die at least three times, and always it comes back."

It did seem as if I was wrong, but neither I nor the business man were to know that the ship that came in within a week of the Communist occupation of Shanghai was the first and the last of its kind we were to see. Spirits rose very high, it was just a matter of waiting, and soon business would pour in.

Business did not flow in, but on the other hand there were signs that life as it was known to the Shanghai-lander, might be restored in a limited manner.

Thursday, June 9 was the occasion of the Official Birthday of His Late Majesty, King George VI, and to celebrate this, our Consul-General and Mrs. Urquhart held an At Home. Well, there were we, His Majesty's subjects sporting in the lovely garden of the Consulate, and there were the Communist soldiers, quartered in a building overlooking us, wondering what it was all about.

Liberation

WE began to hear less and less about the outside world. Our newspaper, The North China Daily News, conducted its affairs as if nothing had happened. No mention was made of the news that interested us most; how were things down South? What was happening outside? And most important of all, what was going to happen to us? However, the paper appeared as delicate and unassuming as a polite literary magazine, and for that link we were grateful.

Then came the Liberation

Victory Parade. One section of it formed up outside the British school in Avenue Haig, so we had a front seat for this show. First came the military, and very smart they looked. They marched in close formation as do the Russian troops, and also swung their arms across-ways as they marched, so it was easy to see that their training was provided by Russian officers.

As they came into view, I felt like singing "For the Yanks are coming," for the equipment was best G. I. pattern, even to most of the steel helmets. But following I thought was a shame. Somewhere along in the procession was a military ambulance. I read the inscription on it. It was subscribed for by a Middle West Town. Not that I thought the inhabitants of this small States town had scraped and saved for it, but they had given it in good faith to their own boys, and their boys had in turn passed it on to their allies, and here it finished up in the Communist Victory Procession.

The Chinese civilians who had been ordered to join the procession seemed very sheepish about it, especially when they had to wheel effigies of red-nosed Uncle Sam and corpulent Winston Churchill along. Apparently, these two were the principal warmongers of the world, so were awarded honourable places in the march.

Chiang Kai-shek also figured along as the discredited leader of a defeated government, and what was going to happen to him was

no one's business. The whole thing turned me sick. I had thought when China re-awoke to power, she would take her place among the great nations of the world, and would leave these ridiculous sideshows to the outmoded tribal chieftains like Hitler and Mussolini, yet here she was, starting off in the old Fascist manner with a childish puppet show for her people.

Our P. T. master, in a jovial mood, began to give them cat-calls, so silly and exaggerated, were their Hitler-patterned anti-racial slogans. I led the way inside in case the authorities below took this good intentioned chaffing too seriously.

But Shanghai had good reason to lose its sense of humour about the Civil War. On July 29, four heavy Liberators returned to bomb us. What the Nationalists thought they could accomplish by this spiteful action, I do not know. It was spiteful, characteristically so, because it needed more than four planes to turn the course of the war at that moment. What it did do, so bad was the bomb-aiming, was to miss the electric power plant, their apparent target and slay three hundred innocent Chinese, their own people. As far as I could gather from the Chinese, it was this action that turned the scale in favour of the new Government. Last week I pointed out that the Communists went to endless pains and trouble to see that no civilians suffered, and within weeks outside Shanghai to soften up the place. The plain and simple truth was,

the new Government placed the welfare of the people first; this indiscriminate bombing showed the old regime cared nothing for the people. And that is the way the people of Shanghai interpreted it. And as if that were not enough they returned twice early in July and gave us another pasting. The raids were not much, but eventually they got the power plant, so electricity was rationed out to us.

We were weeks without letters, and it was not until the People's Liberation Army won their last battle somewhere in the South that the postal service began to operate again.

And to show how much people outside cared or knew about Shanghai, we were asked why we did not write, and were we having a good time.

As the weeks passed it became increasingly obvious that Shanghai was not going to re-open, and the question of retrenchment began to

began to take visible physical toll.

Amethyst

WE were all assembled for church on Sunday morning, July 31, when the Consul entered looking tremendously pleased with himself. Slowly it was whispered from corner of the mouth to eager ear that the Amethyst had made a getaway. Of course, a choir should make a dignified entry, but it was difficult to do so. The occasion called for a frolicsome interlude from the organ, and such Psalms which call for a lusty shout of "Praise ye Him, sun and moon; praise Him, all ye stars of light." I felt that the least the Dean could do was to lead a dancing procession up the centre aisle, while the white gown choir chanted one of the glorious psalms. As it was, the Te Deum almost shattered the stained glassed windows, and it was some minutes before the dust resettled in the out-

of cultivating the arts of peace. To see her adopt such methods was sickening to all who placed such high hopes in her entry in strength to the Council Chambers of the world.

At last, as August began to dwindle towards September, came the news the General Gordon would be permitted to enter Shanghai to take away such people who were ready to leave.

As the time drew near, there was an immense round of farewell parties. One said "goodbye" to all who were leaving, and then the Gordon failed to turn up. It was coming tomorrow; the next news was that it was coming next week. At the Country Club, a huge farewell party was held when the news came, "The Gordon is not coming." Obviously, such news called for a flash of wit; some wag said, "We are being led up the Gordon path."

At last, the long awaited ship did show up, and on



"We said goodbye to our Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson."

"Our New Masters"

by John Luff

take practical form. Everything was decided about leaving except the method of getting away. Such members of the professional and business community who had become redundant wound up their affairs, but their salaries and repatriation allowances were continued up to such time they could get away. This alone cost the business firms hundreds of thousands in Sterling, because, as there was no trade there was no money available in Shanghai and Sterling had to be brought in from outside.

Too much was at stake to venture a clean cut of losses, but the plan was, cut down expenses to a bare minimum, and wait and hope for the best. To add to this enormous overhead expense were the wages of the Chinese staff. They could not be paid off while the firm was in existence even though they did nothing, month in and month out. Of course, such a decision made the new Government very popular, but the strain on firms of limited capital and resources was intolerable, and many men who operated in only a local sphere found it impossible to meet their requirements. The strain

the-way places like the organ loft.

The drill was, not to appear happy, and if you know what it is to be bursting with joy, and yet having to contain it, you will know something of how we felt. Telephones were lifted, and "Have you heard...?"

Next day the Chinese press knew no bounds. There were no photographs, but various woodcuts showed, right out of perspective, savage British sailors running down innocent junks and machine-gunning the drowning victims of their savagery. This incident brought a marked change in the relations existing between our new masters and the British community.

To such Britishers as I, who have made an attempt to understand the real China, such methods of publicity, designed to foster hatred, came as a distinct disappointment. To us, they seemed a retrograde step, a deliberate imitation of the Nazi-cum-Gothic method. China's real strength lies in her extremely high culture and her long tradition

Saturday, September 10, 1949, she sailed away from Shanghai. It had to be, but I felt really sad for those for whom Shanghai was home, for they knew no other. They loved the place. To me, they had no place in the world of 1949, but that was not their fault. Their misfortune was to be matched with the hour when China said she would no longer tolerate an alien privileged race whose only claim to superiority was that they were the heirs of a ruthless commercial breed who had seized treaty rights in China's hour of physical weakness.

But go they did. And it is the honour of the new rulers that they were allowed to depart with every courtesy afforded them. The authorities were reasonable, the Customs Authorities were extremely lax, acting on the premises that after all, people who make their homes in a foreign land are bound to accumulate considerable property.

Unfortunately, many foreigners abused this

privilege, so that we who followed them out later had a dreadful time having to account for the lost collar stud including in our inventory.

A few weeks later, the "Joffre" sailed into Shanghai and took off the stragglers, and such who had changed their mind during the intervening weeks. Shanghai seemed empty, and all the fun had gone. More than that, there was a sudden change in the relations between our new masters and ourselves. A certain grimness settled upon the town, hard to define, yet apparent in all our dealings with the Chinese.

Goodbye

ON Friday, October 14, His Britannic Majesty's Consul-General, and Mrs. Urquhart gave cocktails to the assembled

guests. Among them were all the Commonwealth Ambassadors, and our guest of honour was Sir Ralph and Lady Stevenson. It was a strange feeling, for after we had said goodbye, there was an atmosphere of loneliness. We were left alone, without representation in a strange land. Our masters were strange. They seemed to be unaware that we existed. They passed us on the street with unfocused eyes until

we began to doubt if we had corporal existence.

New faces appeared on the streets of Shanghai. Huge tough looking men of grim unsimiling visages who gazed into the shops at the unbelievable displays of silks and satins. Their women folk who seemed unsuited to such trivial as gossamer, showed a most unbecoming greed for plutocratic luxury. Then things became tough, very very tough. These were our new masters come to teach the Chinese how to play the revolutionary game. But what a game. It was not a new game. Whoever controls the mob controls the government. The ferocious mobs which spawned from the terrible Quarter de St. Antoine taught the French Directorate that lesson. And so had Lenin shown the world that a professional revolutionary understands such things.

But surely China which despised the barbaric methods of Europe would never follow such teaching. Perhaps she was in no position to bargain. But we were in the bag and in no position to bargain.

NEXT WEEK

The Winter Of Discontent

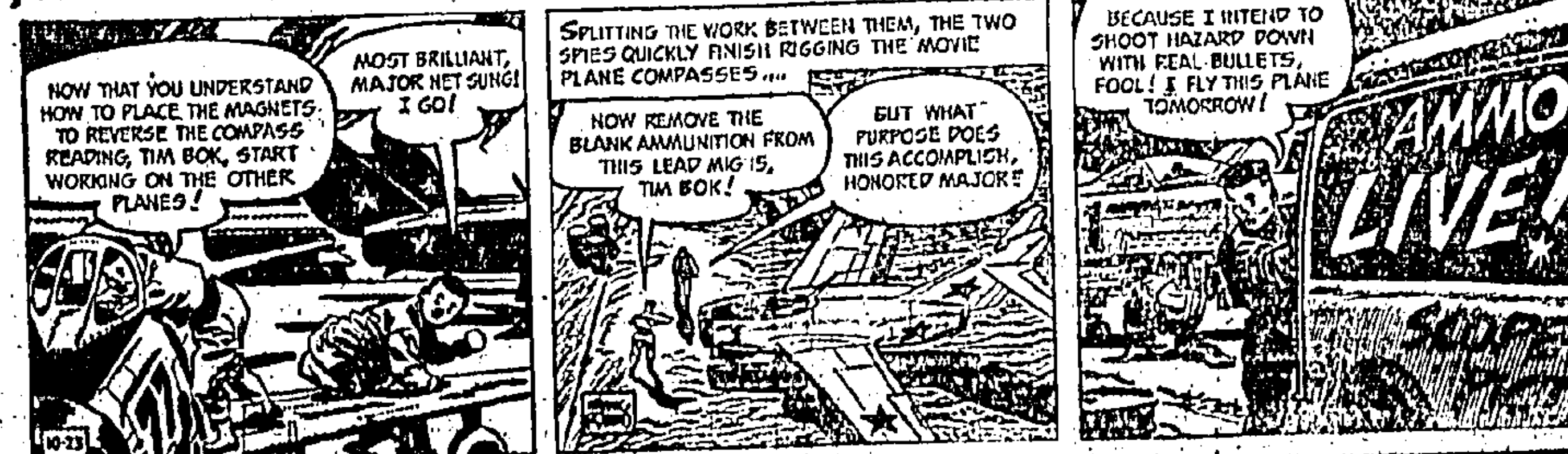
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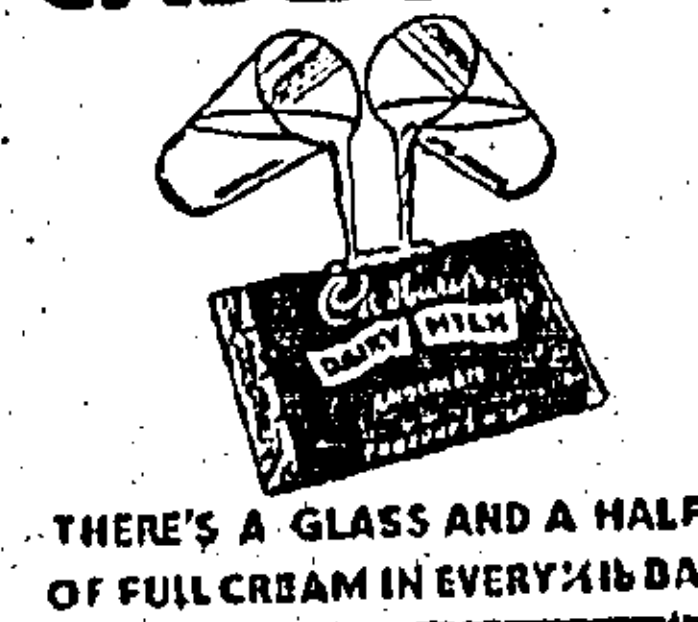


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Shella Butcher and William Brown outside St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, with bridesmaids . . . Rita Simpson, Norma Buggay, and (flower girl) Janet Butcher.

RIGHT: Mr and Mrs Everett F. Drumright, former United States Consul-General here, wave goodbye on their way by special plane to Formosa where they take up duties as the United States Ambassador and his wife. The Drumrights were married in Tokyo. Staff Photographer



Eleven records fell at King George Vth School during their annual sports day. But not all the items on the programme were regular field events . . . goal posts doubled for new uses on the obstacle course, and some of the girls find it more sociable to run in three legged pairs. Boys, in more independent spirit, hobble themselves with jacks.

Staff Photographers



Mr W. Rees, Vice-President of the St David's Society in Hongkong, and Mr J. R. Jones, Past President of the Society, led their members in special celebrations at the Cenotaph (top picture) last Sunday. The picture underneath shows Elizabeth Evans and Shirley Williams dressed in national costume at the ball held in the Hongkong Club on Saturday. They presented tokens to the guests. Staff Photographers



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Mr. Ng Sui-cheong, President of Wah Yan Past Students' Association giving a banner to movie star Miss Chang Li Li, guest artist at the annual dance of the Association.

RIGHT: Red Indian warriors, from Wanchai . . . these braves were among young-sters of the Boys' and Girls' Clubs performing in their annual concert in the hall of Wah Yan College.

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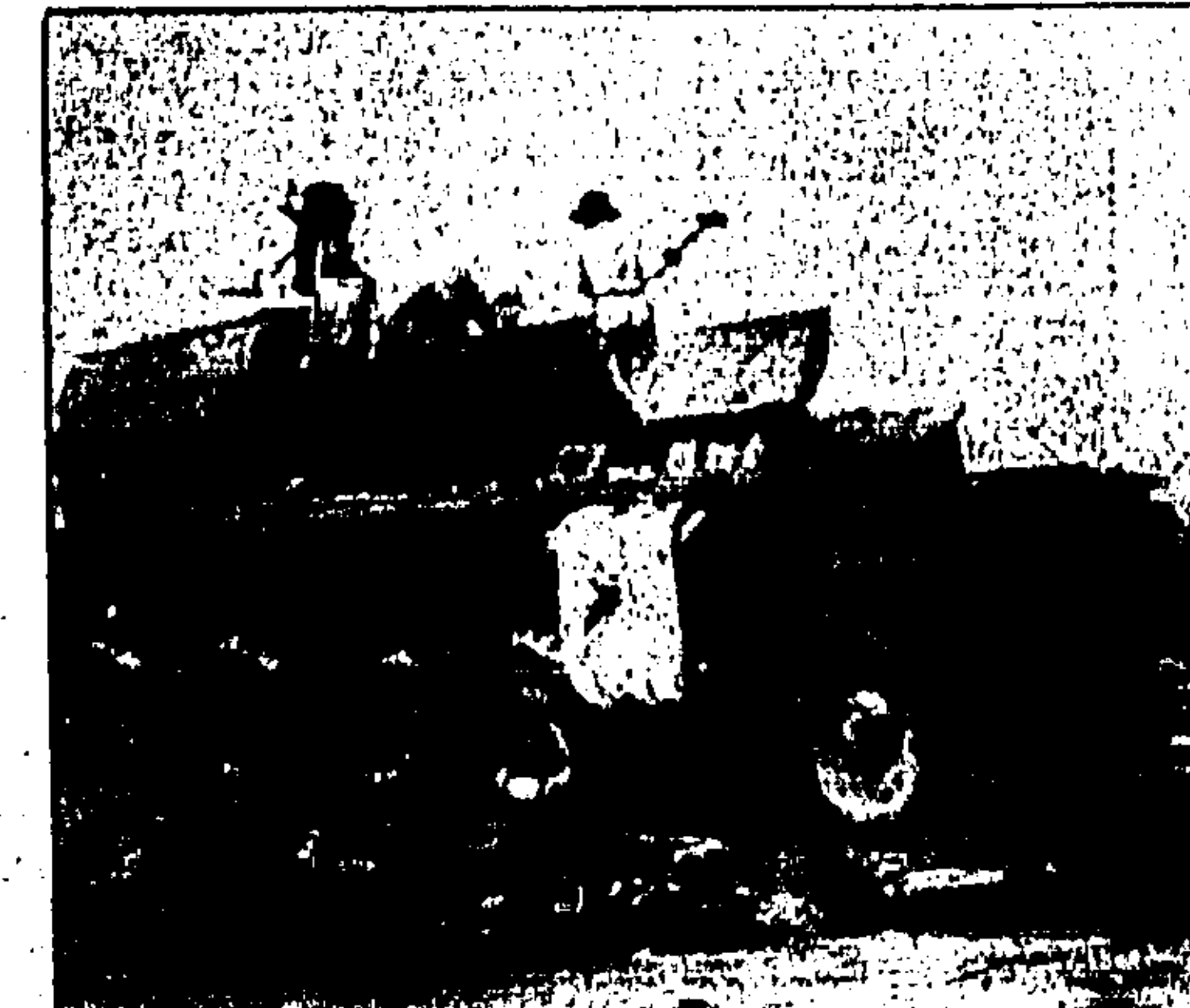


A presentation was made to Mr. H. H. Tod, Shipping Manager of Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd., by Mr. H. D. M. Barton, at a gathering on board The Indo-China ship Eastern Star. Mr. Tod was leaving on retirement.



OLD FAITHFUL . . . one of the steam engines brought to Hongkong at the end of the war to open up the Hongkong-Canton Railway is seen (above and below) under the breaker's hammers, on the first stage of her conversion into, probably, more steel rods to hold up yet more concrete in the New Hongkong.

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ABOVE & LEFT: Members of the Boys' and Girls' Clubs watch and take part in a concert at Wah Yan College.

RIGHT: Professor E. S. Kirby, President of the Hong Kong University Economics Society, is seen with officials of the Society at its Keynesian Night annual dinner dance in the Miramar Hotel. Also in the picture are Mr. Albert Lo, Master of Ceremonies, and Mr. E. F. Szczepanik, Vice-President.

BELOW: Dr. L. T. Ride conducts the Hongkong Singers in a concert given in aid of the Hongkong Music Training Centre for the Blind.

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PRACTICAL HOMECRAFT



AN ALL-ON-ONE FLOOR home, the Arcadian is seventy-two feet long. The entrance patio is enhanced by exposed rafters, which create a pattern of shadows on the entry wall. A two-car garage is attached to the house, which is frame with stone.

No Stairs To Climb

By JOAN O'SULLIVAN

ANY homemaker who has lived in a two-storey house has one big ambition: to move into an all-on-one-floor dwelling so that there'll be no stairs to climb.

The Arcadian is just such a house.

ENTRANCE FOYER

A central entrance foyer gives access to all rooms.

Opening off it, at left, is a sunken living room, a step below the level of foyer and dining room. It runs the depth of the house, has a doorway to the terrace.

The dining room opens on the living room, sepa-

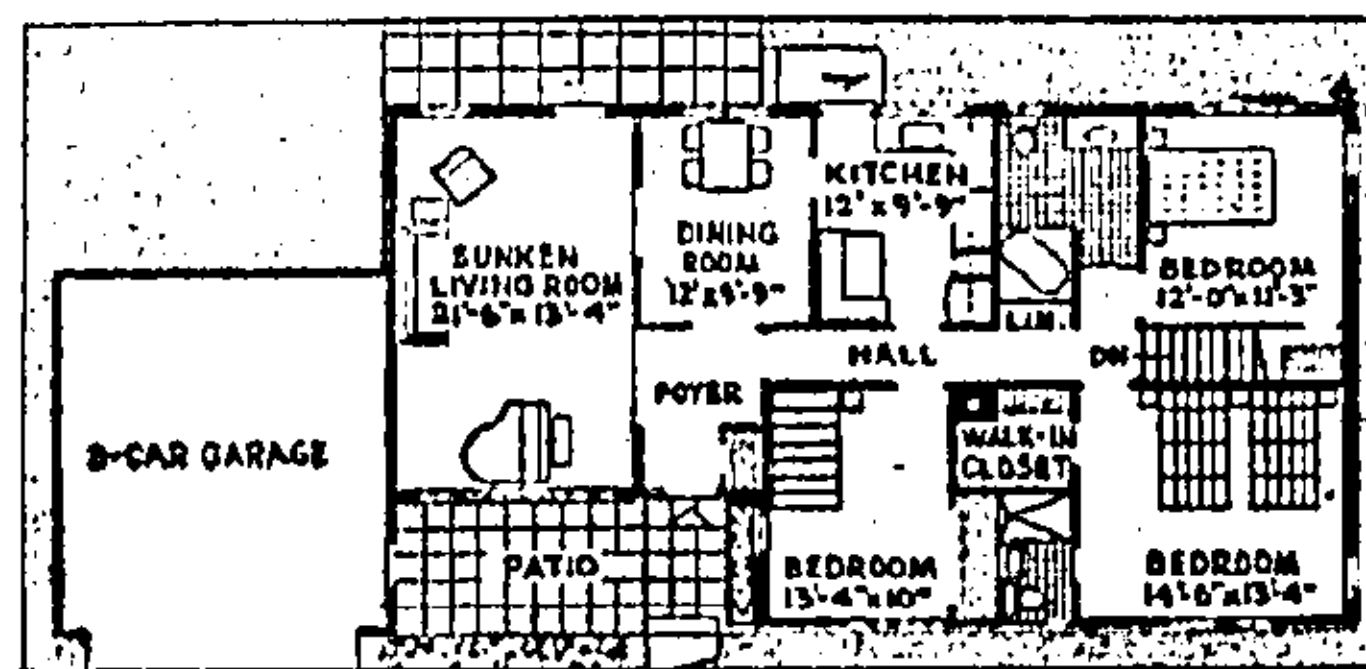
rated by a step and by decorative iron railings. The kitchen, with a breakfast corner, is adjacent to the dining room.

Three comfortable bedrooms complete the plan. The master bedroom is noteworthy, for it has its own private bath and a huge walk-in closet.

The Arcadian, which has a 2-car garage and full basement, comprises 33,085 cubic feet for the house; 6,890 cubic feet for the garage.

The Dorian, another one-floor plan, is designed for a narrow lot.

Living and dining room share a huge L-shaped area at front.



THE ARCADIAN has three bedrooms, at right. Kitchen and dining room face the yard. The living room is right of the entrance.

It's a double room that is spacious and bright (there's a picture window in the living area), and two windows in the dining section.

LARGE KITCHEN

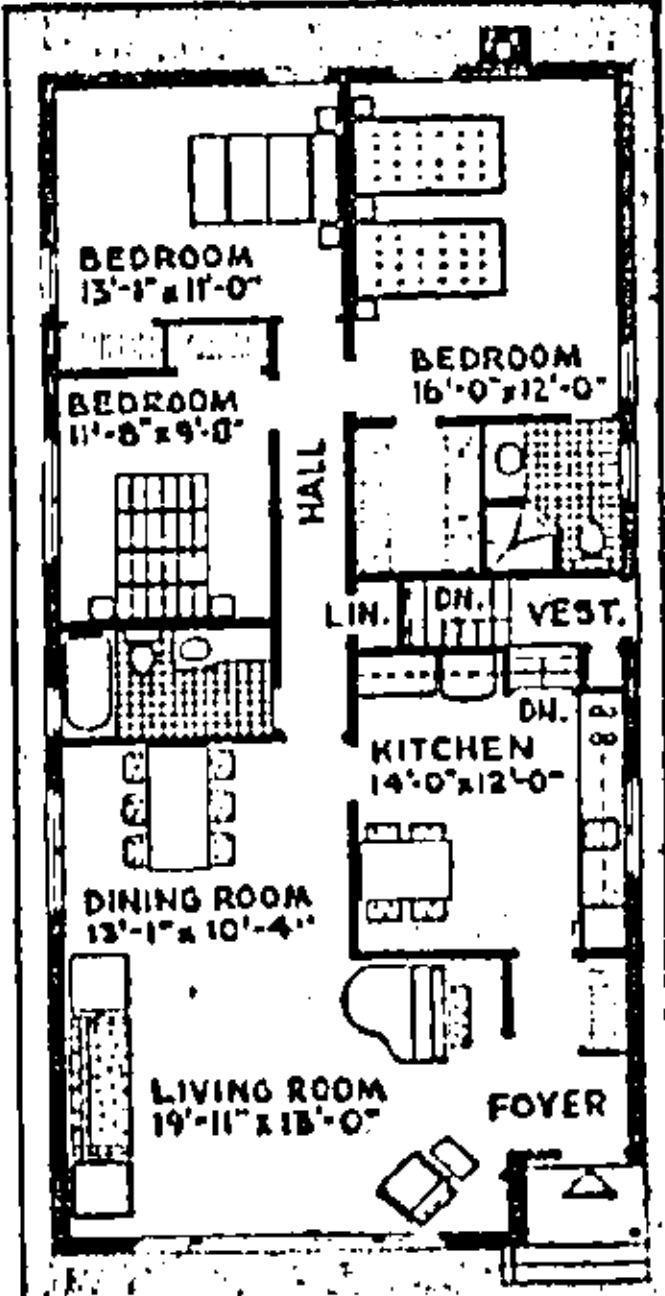
The kitchen opens on the dining room at one side and, at front, has a door leading into the entrance hall. It's an exceptionally big room, fourteen by twelve feet, with a good-sized space reserved for a breakfast table.

A doorway, at back, leads to a side entrance and to a

stairway to the full basement, which includes a garage and a laundry.

Three bedrooms are at the back of the house. Two of the rooms have corner locations and are cross-ventilated. The master bedroom, which will accommodate twin beds, has its own private bath. Note its closet, big enough to take His and Her wardrobes without crowding.

The Dorian comprises 28,590 cubic feet; the garage is 6,650 cubic feet.



LIVING-DINING areas are adjacent to the Dorian's kitchen. The home has 3 big bedrooms.



IF YOU'RE BUILDING a home on a narrow forty-foot lot and desire a one-storey plan, consider the Dorian. The front is finished in fieldstone, while the sides of the house are done in brick. Frame is used for trim around the entrance and for garage doors.

LADY'S DOLMAN SLEEVED CARDIGAN

MATERIALS:

16 (17) [18] ozs. Lister's Lavenda 4 ply. Pair each needles Nos. 10 and 12. 5 (5) [5] Buttons.

MEASUREMENTS:

To fit 36 (38) [40] ins. Bust measurement: Length from shoulder, 22 (22) [22] ins.; Length of undersleeve seam, 17 (17) [17] ins.

TENSION:

8 sts. and 9 rows equal one inch. (patt. on No. 10 needles)

ABBREVIATIONS:

K, knit; p, purl; sts., stitches; inc., inches; tog., together; C3R., With point of needle pull out 3rd st. to front of work and knit, then knit first 2 sts; rep., repeat; beg., beginning; patt., pattern; cont., continue; dec., decrease; rem., remain; inc., increase; alt., alternate.

To work 2nd Size follow figures in parenthesis ();

To work 3rd Size follow figures in brackets [].

BACK

Using No. 10 needles cast on 147 (155) [163] sts.

1st row: K.3, * p.1, C3R, p.1, k.3, rep. from * to end.

2nd row: P.3, * k.1, p.3, rep. from * to end.

These 2 rows form the patt.

Work 7 (7) [7] rows more in patt.

Next row: (Wrong side): Knit. (hemline).

Cont. in patt. (next row—a 1st patt. row) until work measures 2½ (2½) [2½] ins. from hemline.

Still working in patt. dec. one st. at each end of next and every following 6th row until 185 (143) [181] sts. rem.



Cont. in patt. until work measures 7½ (7½) [7½] ins. from hemline.

Inc. one st. at each end of next and every following 6th row until 147 (155) [163] sts. are on needle.

Work 5 (5) [5] rows straight in patt.

Inc. one st. at each end of next 12 (12) [12] rows. 171 (179) [187] sts.

Cast on 12 (12) [12] sts. at end of next 18 rows. 387 (395) [403] sts.

Cont. in patt. until work measures 5½ (5½) [5½] ins. from last set of cast on 12 sts.

Shape Shoulders: Right side:

Cast off 17 (17) [17] sts. at beg. of next 10 (10) [10] rows, then cast off 17 (18) [19] sts. at beg. of next 8 (8) [8] rows.

Cast off rem. 81 (81) [81] sts.

RIGHT FRONT

Using No. 10 needles cast on 59 (67) [75] sts. and work in patt. as Back for 9 (9) [9] rows.

Next row: (Wrong side): Knit. (hemline).

Cont. in patt. (next row—a 1st patt. row) until work measures 2½ (2½) [2½] ins. from hemline.

Now dec. at end of next and every following 6th row until 53 (61) [69] sts. rem.

Cont. in patt. until work measures 7½ (7½) [7½] ins. from hemline.

Inc. one st. at end of next and every following 6th row until 59 (67) [75] sts. are on needle.

Work 5 (5) [5] rows in patt. Inc. one st. at Shaped Edge on next 12 (12) [12] rows. 71 (79) [87] sts.

Cast on 12 (12) [12] sts. at end of next and every following alt. row nine (nine) [nine] times. 179 (187) [195] sts.

Cont. in patt. until work measures 1½ (1½) [1½] ins. from last cast on 12 (12) [12] sts.

Shape Neck: Right side:

Keeping Sleeve Edge straight, dec. at Neck Edge at beg. of next and every alt row until 159 (163) [167] sts. rem.

Shape Shoulder: Wrong side:

Next row: Cast off 17 (17) [17] sts. patt. to end.

Next row: K.2 tog. patt. to end.

Rep. last 2 rows four (four) times more.

Next row: Cast off 17 (18) [19] sts. patt. to end.

Next row: K.2 tog. patt. to end. 51 (54) [57] sts.

Cast off 17 (18) [19] sts. at beg. of next and every following alt. row three (three) [three] times.

Work as Right Front reversing all shapings.

FRONT BAND

Using No. 12 needles cast on 41 (40) [39] sts. and work in k.1, p.1 rib for 3 (3) [3] rows. Next row: (Make buttonhole): Rib 20 (18) [16] cast off. 4 sts; rib to end.

Next row: Rib 20 (18) [16] cast on 4 sts; rib to end.

Cont. in rib making further buttonholes at 3 ins. intervals (measuring from base of previous buttonhole) until 5 (5) [5] in all have been worked.

Cont. in rib until Band when slightly stretched reaches up Right Front, round back of neck, and down Left Front to lower edge.

Cast off in rib.

CUFFS

Using No. 12 needles cast on 32 (32) [32] sts. and work in k.1, p.1 rib for 7 (7) [7] ins. Cast off in rib.

TO MAKE UP

Pin out and press Back and Front on wrong side under a damp cloth. Join shoulder, side and undersleeve seams. Sew Front Bands neatly in position. Join Cuff seams. Sew Cuffs in position round Sleeve Edges, placing seam to undersleeve seam. Sew on buttons to correspond with buttonholes. Press all seams.



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COLDS ARE SO OFTEN DECEIVERS



AMONG the most serious aspects of the nuisance infection which we called the common cold is that so often it doesn't turn out to be a cold at all. Many a person has been deceived by symptoms which he took for a cold, but which were due to some entirely different cause.

A common popular belief is that summer colds are worse than winter colds. "They hang on so—you can't seem to shake them off." It doesn't sound reasonable, does it? And it is not reasonable. Chances are the so-called summer cold isn't a cold at all—it's probably an allergy. And the

reason the victim can't "shake it off," is because the substance to which he is allergic is in the air all about him.

Most people understand about autumn hay fever, even if they blame it on the beautiful and innocent goldenrod instead of the drab and guilty ragweed and allied wind-pollinated plants. But they do not remember that in spring, the air is full of pollens from trees, and in the summer from grasses. Not until the summer cold that is not a cold is attacked along the right lines will it be overcome.

FOOD ALLERGY

Sniffles simulating a cold may be due sometimes to allergies to foodstuffs; these commonly cause stuffiness of the nose, easily mistaken as a sign of a cold.

The cold is responsible also for allowing many an epidemic to get a start. People with colds have a cough, often. But that does not mean that people, and especially children, with coughs necessarily have colds. The cough may be due to part of the reaction to beginning measles, diphtheria, polio, whooping cough, scarlet fever, German measles, and chicken pox.

If one develops a headache, sniffles, a stiff neck, and fever, it's easy to assume a cold is "coming on." Much too easy. These are among the early danger signs of polio or even meningitis.

So with sore throat, which may be due to "just a cold," but may also indicate scarlet fever, strep throat, diphtheria, tonsillitis,

measles, Vincent's angina or quinsy, the term applied to abscess of a tonsil.

"Only a cold!" What a lot of needless trouble, expense and suffering this misconception has caused.

Recently the world has been alerted again to the so-called "flu" or influenza. It's Asian this winter; the last time there was a big pandemic, it was Spanish. But it's the same breed of cats—a vicious virus disease closely related to the common cold. It is with us every winter, but in a mild and vague form, often scarcely recognizable, and seldom treated by a physician.

If influenza now gives us much trouble, it will be because too many people re-

fuse to take the same precautions recommended to protect against the complications of the common cold—simple, sensible, inexpensive. Rest. Bland diet. Lots of liquids. Call a doctor if fever is—oh, I said that before, didn't I? Well, doctors have been saying it for years. Some day, maybe people will begin paying attention to it. That'll be the day!

A final word about those disposable handkerchiefs, supposedly so much more sanitary than the pocket handkerchief. It all depends on their disposition—in a bag to be burned as they should be, or turned loose on the wind to spread germs, as Damon Runyon used to say, "around and about."

Let me close with a trenchant piece of advice from a leading insurance company: "If you have a cold—treat it like a secret—keep it to yourself."

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Improve the flavour of egg sandwiches by adding a little chopped olive.

To clarify soup, add the slightly beaten white of one egg to the liquid stirring all the time till it boils.

If the spout of a teapot is badly stained, fill it with

common salt and leave overnight.

When cooking fat do not let it smoke—smoking fat forms indigestible acids.

If egg yolks are not wanted immediately, put them in a basin and cover with cold water or milk. Store in a refrigerator.

THE challenge of hazard and effort in the open air life represents not least a challenge to youth—to the youth of every country and every clime. Outward Bound in its development in Britain, in Malaya, in Africa and elsewhere in the Commonwealth has done and is doing much to inculcate a healthy spirit of initiative and produce the many qualities of leadership demanded in the citizens of tomorrow.

Nowhere is this spirit of leadership more needed in Asia and perhaps nowhere it is demonstrated to better advantage than in the training of boys and young men in Malaya and in Singapore.

The Outward Bound spirit is not confined to one school or group—it is to be found wherever men and organisations are willing and ready to take an active interest in the building of a healthy progressive society, whether it be the Outward Bound School at Lumut in the Federation of Malaya or in the annual camps organised by the Army Boys' Trade School in Singapore.

On the river

A WHALEBOAT manned by Malayan and Chinese youngsters of the Army Boys' Trade School came out to meet our motor launch as we approached Pulau Tekong, a rocky, diamond-shaped island half a mile off the Malayan coast in the Straits of Johore.

"A nice way to spend a sunny morning," commented one of our party. Like others of us, he believed the youths were sailing purely for pleasure.

We were very soon put right about that. During the next four hours we watched them build rafts



"To Serve, to Strive, and not to Yield."

of jerry-cans and saplings, swing between 40-ft. cliffs on an aerial ropeway, climb trees with dexterous ease to reach a rope catwalk.

While all this went on, another party of boys hunched their way through man-high jungle undergrowth to survey the south-west corner of Pulau Tekong.

The object of these exercises? To test the boys' initiative and ability to improvise, to take them away from normal barrack routine.

In recent years increasing importance has been attached to youth leadership in Malaya, and especially through what might be described as the "Outward Bound Spirit".

When Field Marshal Sir Gerald Templer was High Commissioner in the Federation of Malaya, he never ceased to emphasise the importance of developing initiative in the youth of the country. In May, 1955, with the support of Malaya's leading businessmen, an Outward Bound School was started at Lumut in the state of Perak. Sited in ideal surroundings along a stretch of golden sands on the north-west coast of Malaya, the school recently celebrated its second anniversary.

They have been two fruitful years during which

more than 1,000 boys of different nationalities and from a number of countries in South-East Asia have undertaken the 25-day course at the school. On the day the school opened an official stated: "The Malaya of the future will need leaders. These leaders must be men of character, devoted to the interests of the country, and they will need courage, confidence, initiative and perseverance. The Outward Bound School aims to develop these qualities in young men and so make them more fitted in every way to take their place in industry, commerce, the professions and all walks of life; to make them more aware of both the opportunities and responsibilities that lie before them."

Aberdovey

THE school, whose motto is "To serve, to strive and not to yield," has accommodation for 60 boys at one time. It is open to all between 15 and 25 years of age, regardless of race or religion.

The first Outward Bound School was established at Aberdovey on the coast of North Wales in 1941 by Kurt Hahn, the distinguished German youth worker, and then headmaster of Gordonstoun (the Duke of Edinburgh's old school), and Lawrence Holt of the

Blue Funnel Line. There are now mountain schools at Eskdale and at Ullswater in the Lake District, and sea schools at the original school at Aberdovey, and at Burghhead in Scotland. In addition there are two Outward Bound Schools in Africa, while Australia is planning to start its first school.

As laid down from the beginning, these schools,

Every minute of the day is a testing time. At dawn they put on swimming trunks and sprint to the beach for a pre-breakfast dip, followed by a couple of circuits on a hard, earth training track. Then come showers, a parade, and breakfast. The youngsters set tables in the dining hall, serve, wash up, make beds, clean dormitories. The rest of

is no connection between the two organisations. Two hundred lads who are studying electrical, mechanical and clerical trades at the school attended a recent camp at Pulau Tekong.

When I visited the island they had been there eight days, long enough to rub the edge off their outdoor existence and for them to begin to really enjoy it. To reach an aerial ropeway



Lads of the Army Boys' Trade School are taught how to construct a raft of saplings between two boats.

(which in Britain are managed by a Trust whose patron is the Duke of Edinburgh) provide courses for boys from all walks of life but mainly for young employees sent at their employers' expense. The idea is that the boys live as a community and are given the opportunity to assess and develop their qualities of courage, endurance, initiative and self-discipline in learning the techniques of sailing or of rock-climbing, by various physical tests, and in expeditions over rough hill country lasting several days. Similar but modified courses for girls in Britain are held at Bisham Abbey, in Berkshire, and at mountain centres.

The Outward Bound School at Lumut in Malaya is based on the same principles as the British schools. The training is tough but it is so balanced that it does not demand more from any boy than he is capable of giving. It includes athletics, sea and land expeditions, life-saving in various forms, periods of service to the community by active co-operation in public activities, lectures, debates and discussions.

During the course the boys live in dormitories. They elect their own leaders. Discipline is strict but is designed so as not to restrict or frustrate the individual. It aims at creating self-discipline and helps each student to master his own particular weaknesses.

the day, with an hour's break for lunch, is taken up by life-saving exercises, canoeing, instruction on knots, splicing and the use of a compass, and sports.

At the beginning of every month, between 20 and 30 boys start arriving at Lumut. The majority have only a bare idea of what Outward Bound means but when the course ends they are devotees. They are unanimous in their decision—"It's tough, but we like it."

On the sea

ONE of the school's greatest assets is a 50-ton ketch. The boys are given instruction in seamanship and navigation often spending three or four days at sea off the Malayan coast. Another highlight of the course is the instruction they receive in compass and chart reading. On every course the school moves off from Lumut in parties of three to trek to a certain destination using only compass and chart.

So keen are those who have been on the course to keep alive the spirit of the school that in Kuala Lumpur 60 former students of Outward Bound have formed their own old boys' association.

The annual camp organised by the Army Boys' Trade School in Singapore is modelled on the Outward Bound course, though there

strung between two cliffs I had to sail round a headland in what was described as a seaworthy folding boat. The skipper was 16-year-old Mohamed Yusoff bin Idris from Negri Sembilan in the Federation of Malaya who has been at the school 18 months. "In-Out - In - Out," called Mohamed Yusoff to the adolescent oarsmen. They handled the craft skilfully.

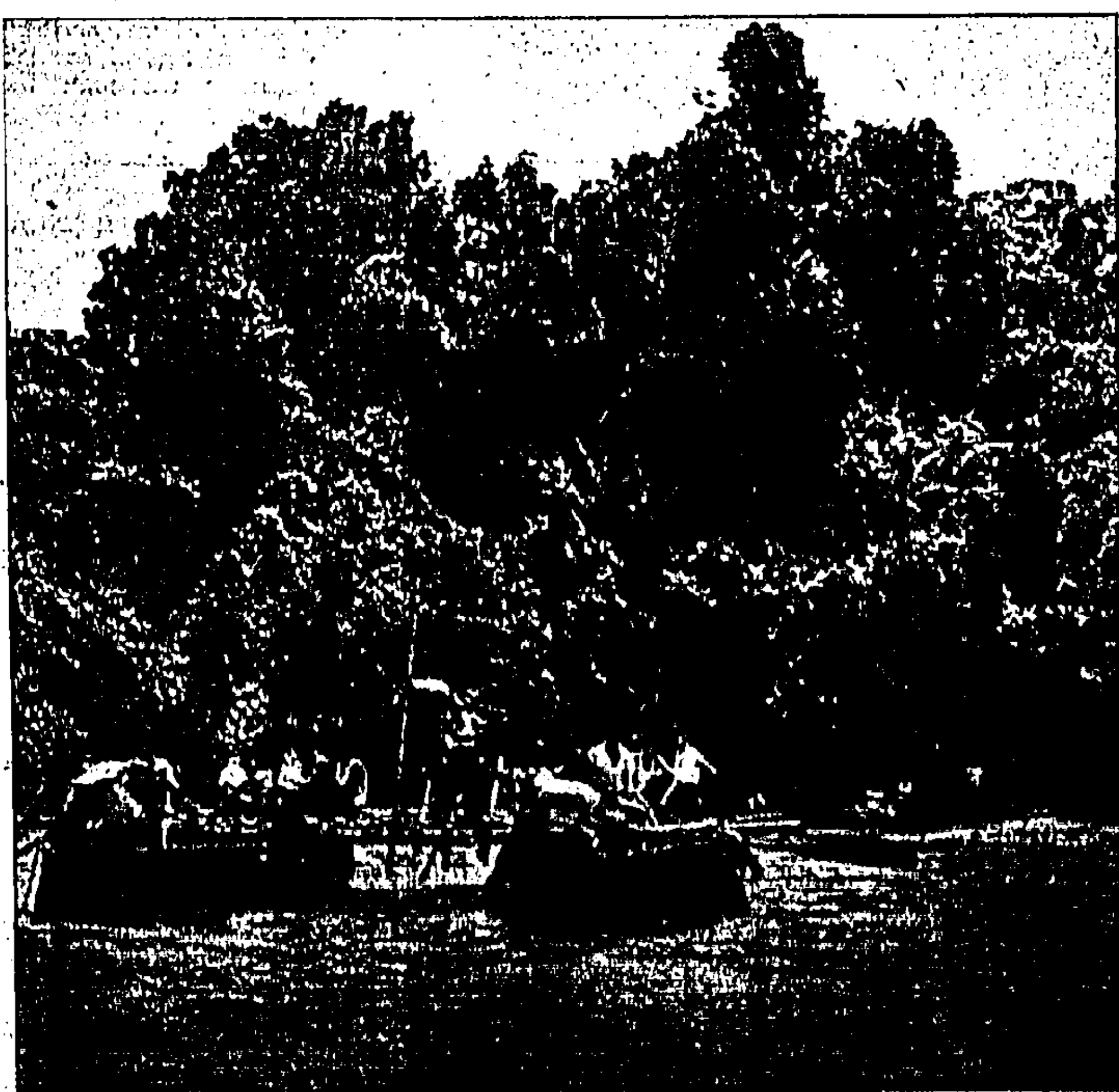
A raft was also being taken round the headland and on an aerial ropeway 16-year-old Ayoub bin Mohamed Som, of Malacca, swung into space above the bay.

Captain W. Lynam, of the Royal Army Education Corps, my guide at Pulau Tekong, told me how groups of the boys are sent to a satellite camp which they run entirely on their own initiative. "The boys are responsible for everything, right down to rationing," he said. "Officers and N.C.O.s step in only when the boys are obviously doing something the wrong way."

Major M. J. Andrews, the officer commanding the camp, commented: "Annual camp is an idea well worth continuing. The boys are organised in school houses and there is keen competition between them."

"The camps take them right away from their normal environment and give us an opportunity to assess what each boy is really worth."

by Dnuob Drawtuo



Lads of the Army Boys' Trade School put to sea with a raft of saplings suspended between two boats. They were taught how to build and launch rafts during their camp at Pulau Tekong.

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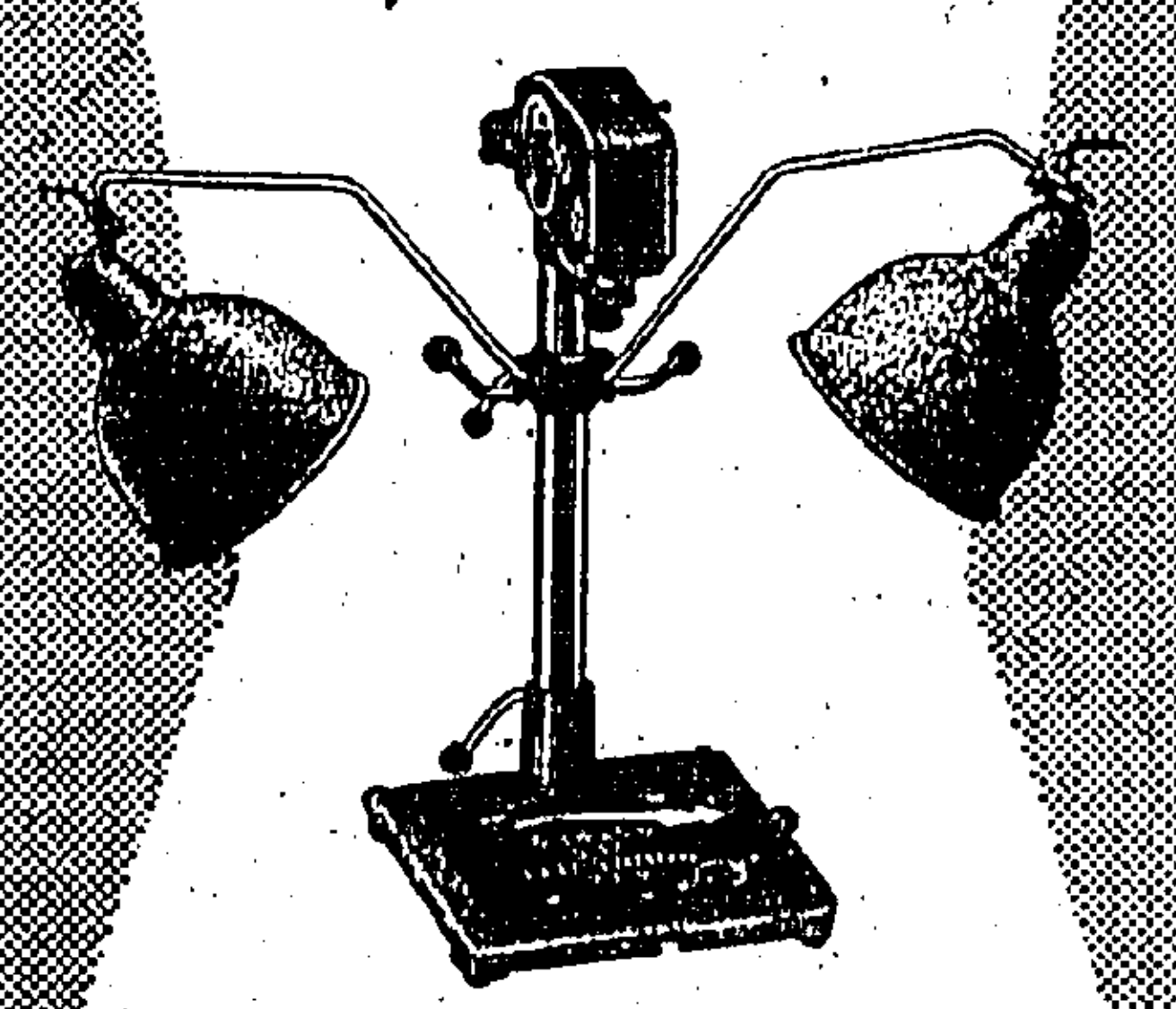
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LIVE COMMENTARIES ON SPORT

The Army Boxing Championships

A Big Highlight

Sports enthusiasts are well served by Radio Hongkong this week with live commentaries on local soccer, boxing and a relayed commentary on one of the major fixtures on the English racing calendar.

The biggest event for boxing fans this season will be the Army Inter-Unit team championships which will be held at the McPherson stadium in Kowloon on Friday evening.

This will be the most important show promoted by the Army Sports Board during the current season and the fanfare of trumpets, the colourful uniforms, the ceremony of the prize-giving and the riotous participation of the spectators all combine to make this the occasion of the year.

Radio Hongkong commentators will be at the ringside to act the scene and describe the various bouts from 9.45 p.m. until 10.30 p.m. on Friday evening.

The soccer match chosen for this afternoon's commentary is the South China versus Eastern tussle at the South China home ground, Caroline Hill, this afternoon.

At 5.00 Radio Hongkong will go over to Ted Thomas in the commentary box who will be giving a description of the progress of the game followed by a summing-up after the final whistle has blown.

On Thursday evening at 11.15 Radio Hongkong will be broadcasting a relayed BBC commentary on the Cheltenham Gold Cup by Raymond Glendinning.

This stepchase is one of the most important racing events in England, and can serve as a valuable guide to form in the forthcoming Grand National. Commentaries will continue until 11.35 p.m.

Out And About

Out and About, in which two Radio Hongkong commentators, John Wallace and Cheng Kwei, move out to the bright lights of Hongkong's night life



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NINTH (ANNUAL) RACE MEETING
Saturday 1st, Wednesday 5th and Saturday 8th March, 1958
(To be held under the Rules of the Hong Kong Jockey Club)

THE PROGRAMME WILL CONSIST OF 30 RACES.
The First Race will be run at 11.30 a.m. and the First Race run at 12.00 Noon each day.
The 15th interval is after the Fourth Race (1.30 p.m.) each day.
The Secretary's Office at Alexandra House will close at 10.00 a.m. each day.

MEMBERS' ENCLOSURE
NO PERSON WITHOUT A BADGE WILL BE ADMITTED.
All persons MUST wear their badges prominently displayed throughout the meeting.
Admission Badges at \$10.00 each per day are obtainable prior to the Meeting from the Club's Cash Sweep Office, at Queen's Building, Chater Road and Nathan Road, Kowloon, only on the written introduction of a Member, and on production of his Guest Record Card. Members are limited to 6 guests each Race Day, and will be responsible for all guests introduced by them.
Tickets will be obtainable at the Club House if ordered in advance from the No. 1 Box (Tel. 72811).
The 6th Floor is restricted to Members and Ladies wearing Lady's Brooches.
NO CHILDREN will be admitted to the Club's premises during the Meeting. For this purpose a Child is a person under the age of seventeen years, Western Standard.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE
The price of admission will be \$2.00 each per day payable at the Gate.
Any person leaving the Enclosure will be required to pay the requisite fee of \$3.00 in order to gain re-admission.
MEALS and REFRESHMENTS will be obtainable in the RESTAURANT.

SERVANTS
Servants must remain in their employers' boxes except for passing through on their duties. They may on no account use the Betting Booths or Pay Out Booths in the Enclosures.

CASH SWEEPS
Although Through Tickets cannot normally be purchased for each day of a Meeting unless there is an interval of at least five days between each day an exception is being made for the Annual Race Meeting. Through Cash Sweep tickets, therefore, at \$20 each per day or \$60 for three days of the Meeting may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Aguiar Street during normal office hours and until 10.00 a.m. on each day of the Meeting.

Particular numbers within the series 1 to 3,000 may be reserved for all race meetings as Through Tickets. Such tickets will be issued consecutively and the right is reserved by the Stewards to cancel any reservation for Through Tickets for a particular Meeting if it is found that sales may not reach the number reserved in the series 1 to 3,000.

Tickets reserved and available but not paid for by 10.00 a.m. on Friday, 28th February, will be sold and the reservation cancelled for future Meetings.

Tickets over 3,000 will also be issued consecutively but particular numbers cannot be reserved as Through Tickets.

The reservation of any particular number does not confer on the registered holder any rights whatsoever unless the ticket bearing the appropriate number is issued to and can be produced by the holder.

The Stewards reserve the right to refuse any subscription also the right to remove any name from Subscription Lists without stating reasons for their action.

Tickets for the Cash Sweep on the last race of the Meeting at \$2.00 each and Tickets for the Special Cash Sweep on the Hong Kong Derby scheduled to be run on 10th May, 1958, at \$2.00 each may be obtained from the Cash Sweep Office at: Queen's Building (Chater Road) and 5, D'Aguiar Street on Thursday 27th, Friday 28th, February.

Monday 3rd Tuesday 4th Thursday 6th and Friday 7th March 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Saturday 1st, Wednesday 5th and Saturday 8th March 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

382, Nathan Road, Kowloon
Thursday 27th, Friday 28th February,
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TOTALISATOR
Backers are advised not to destroy or throw away their tickets until, after the "all clear" signal has been exhibited.

ALL WINNING TICKETS AND TICKETS FOR REFUNDS MUST BE PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT AT THE RACE COURSE ON THE DAY TO WHICH THEY REFER, NOT LATER THAN ONE HOUR AFTER THE TIME FOR WHICH THE LAST RACE OF THE DAY HAS BEEN SCHEDULED TO BE RUN.

PAYMENT WILL NOT BE MADE ON TORN OR DISFIGURED TICKETS.
Bookmakers, T.C. Tac men, etc. will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

FOOTBALL'S FICKLE FOLLOWERS

Firecrackers Can Be Anything But Funny In A Large Crowd

Says I. M. MacTAVISH

The football fan is surely the most fickle personality in the length and breadth of the world of sport. It is quite impossible to forecast accurately what he will do . . . or even when he will do it, and I believe there is surely some subtle connection between the great uncertainty which is the very soul of the game itself and the fickle streak in those who follow it.

Let me give you an interesting example of what I mean. When news of the fourth game between a Colony side and the visitors from Korea leaked out several knowing folks told me confidently that it would not draw a big crowd to the Hongkong Stadium.

Similar opinion was voiced in sections of the press and it looked for a time as though the prophets were going to be proved right.

The demand for pre-sale tickets was not unduly brisk and even at seven o'clock on the evening of the game it seemed as though there would only be a nominal crowd present. Then, as though someone had opened the soccer sluice gates, the flow of spectators started to increase and by half past seven the whole place had changed as it by magic.

Another near capacity crowd was in the making. That is the story of the masses. It is also, however, the story of individuals. At the game I saw a number of enthusiasts who had assured me earlier that quite definitely they would not go, but somehow the pull of the big occasion is hard to resist.

The football fans of Hongkong are no more impervious to it than the fans in any other country . . . but they do have the ability to accept the unexpected soccer let-downs with a level-headedness and good grace that is often missing among the fans in other parts of the world.

A Safety Valve
However, even here there are times when a safety valve has to blow. In these moments one feels an undercurrent of apprehension and realises how easy it would be for trouble to start if our established sense of good humour were to fail.

During the three original games of the Korean series, firecrackers were the seasonal symbols of the spectators' appreciation of some grand football on the holiday occasion. . . .

Somehow one felt they were the only things that really expressed the feelings of the thousands packed around the ground. We greeted each salvo with laughter and pleasure. . . .

The police showed a wonderful degree of tolerance and understanding and I think it was this sensible attitude that kept the discharge of firecrackers within reasonable limits. . . .

The capacity crowd which attended the fourth game on Tuesday contained a number of enthusiasts who had armed themselves with a plentiful supply of firecracker ammunition which was obviously intended to be a salute to the "Hongkong" Combined Chinese were going to score.

Unfortunately our footballers failed to co-operate. The final whistle arrived without a goal being chalked up. . . .

With the crowd tightly packed in the passageways leading to the exits this was a dangerous practice and it could have led to serious accident and injury to innocent spectators.

Cheap Bravado
The police tried hard to put a stop to it immediately, but their very necessary and timely intervention was the signal for an outbreak of cheap bravado by thoughtless fans who, from the obscurity of the densely-packed throngs, continued to defy police appeals. . . .

Justified appeals that they were . . . and continued to imperil the safety of others by the indiscriminate throwing of lighted crackers which frequently exploded just above the heads of the crowd or dropped among them as they threaded their way to the exits.

The police were badly handicapped both by the circumstances and by the attitude of some of the less responsible spectators and one could but admire the patience and tact which they showed in handling a situation which could easily have deteriorated and it been mishandled.

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word with his Korean counterpart and suggested that the visiting players should be strongly advised to cut out the "rough" play. He also saw it . . . to give similar advice to the Hongkong boys.

That said "hardly the behaviour of an official involved in a match where only the purest tactics were being employed."

The many earnest discussions which took place at the end of the game were also indicative of what the regular fans thought of the whole performance. One fan was heard to suggest that the HKFA should send a party on to the field to clear up the axes . . . another suggested a correspondence to the China Mail on the logs of several nominated players . . . and there were many other comments no less significant.

Self-Protection
For those who enjoy statistics, it is rather interesting to report that no fewer than 10 free kicks were awarded against Ho Cheung-yau—usually so discrete—for pushing and obstructing. That was as far as I remember did his tactics cause an injury to an opponent. . . .

much of what he did was born in a spirit of self-protection in a game in which it was necessary to strike, first or be struck.

As far as I'm concerned, I shall go on applauding real honest-to-goodness football whenever I see it played and no matter by whom it is played. . . .

Can there be any other worthwhile standard? Good is good and bad is surely bad, no matter how it is judged.

Nominate YOUR Hongkong Footballer Of The Year

Members of the public are invited to nominate Hongkong's Footballer of the Year for the current season.

It is a popularity poll organised by the China Mail, and nomination coupons will be accepted until the closing date to be announced later.

The two qualifications for nomination are:
(1) Footballing prowess.
(2) Sportsmanship on the field of play.

Nominations should be addressed to the Editor, China Mail, Wyndham Street.

To the Editor, China Mail,
My nomination for Hongkong's Footballer of the Year, taking into account his playing ability and his sportsmanship on the field of play is:

TODAY'S RUGBY

Big Battle Of The Pentangular Tournament This Afternoon

By "PAK LO"

The big battle of the Pentangular Tournament is set for this afternoon when at 3 p.m. on the Police ground in Boundary Street the Army and the Club meet for the top honours. With only one point between them a win for either team means victory in the Tournament.

In the same ground later in the afternoon at 4.15 p.m. the Police meet the Airmen. Here again there is close interest for only two points separate these XV's in the Pentangular table.

The latest news on the Taiwan XV is that the tour has had to be cancelled due to unforeseen difficulties. It is hoped that more definite and better arrangements can be made for next season.

In the minor game this afternoon both XV's have made one change and both are in the full back position. Club have had a recent addition to their members and it is he who takes his place at full back this afternoon.

According to the Club captain he is a very good full back, so that if anything Club are stronger than before.

The Army have had to release Leonard for boxing this week and Green is sent back to full back with Evans coming in to wing forward. This rather weakens the defensive power of the Army, for Green, though a good lucker, is still a wing forward and his positioning is not all it should be.

The Army has a strong pack, but the return of Miller to the Club promises some fun in the lineouts where Wynn until now has reigned the undisputed king.

There is little difference in the weights of the packs and Hung, the Club hooker, should be much better against O'Donnell than he was in the trials.

The Army halves are fast, but Gilbertson, if well covered, is inclined to get flustered and this is always dangerous in this vital position. That O'Kelly is the better fly half than Gilbertson goes without saying and the Club three should get moving, today.

Of the two sets of three the Club's look the more dangerous. Cooke has been brought in on one wing and Cheong is on the other side. With Valentine in the centre behind O'Kelly this is an attacking set of three who should create havoc with the Army defence.

The Army three, passing of late has been disappointing and the greatest danger to the Club in the Army's three is Haddow, for given the ball and the vestige of an opening he is more than capable of scoring.

All in all, then, a slight advantage to the Army in the forwards and a stronger advantage to the Club three and halves, and they should just manage a win in this match. Even a draw would by no means be impossible, but a victory for the Club is my forecast.

Police v. RAF
In the other Pentangular the Police are fielding an unchanged team; unchanged in the sense that the Police for the first time in this match. Even a draw would by no means be impossible, but a victory for the Club is my forecast.

The Airmen have McNamara at scrum half and this XV may well surprise the Police for last week they held the Army throughout the first half.

The bustling tactics of the heavier Police forwards should, however, pay dividends for it is the pack that is the strongest link in the RAF side, and if they are covered the Police three, though weak in passing, have the little extra that should carry them through to victory.

The RAF three do not have the penetrative power on the wings to break through the Police defence and the Police defence and the Police should win and win well.

The other two scheduled games are cancelled. The Club "B" have scrubbed theirs so that they may appear in force for a rest with the senior side and the RAF are no longer able to turn out a second XV due to a shortage of men.

Today's Teams
Club: Miles, Cooke, McTavish, Valentine, Cheong, O'Kelly, Steward, Howe, Hung, Williams, H. Miller, Ross, Campbell, Wright, Penman.

Army: Green, Bede-Cox, Goulds, Haddow, Sharp, Gilbertson, Robertson, Linham, O'Donnell, MacIntosh, Wynn, Muntz, Bushy, Hemingway, Evans.

RAF: Gilliland, Brackenbury, Williamson, Myers, Coombes, Cornah, McNamara, Maltacott, Fowler, A. N. Other, Steele, Phillips, Samuels, Southwick, Aldridge.

Police: Lloyd, Marsh, Scott, Stevin, O'Regan, Riach, Leilitt, Walsh, Cunningham, Sheller, Brown, Fozztham, Walker, Bryan, Johnston.

SPORTS QUIZ

- Who captained England's cricket team in the first official Test match against Australia?
- One country has won an Olympic team tournament every time it has entered for it. Which country? And which tournament?
- What sports would you expect to see at—(a) Colombes, Paris; (b) Holmenkollen, near Oslo?
- In what sports do you have—(a) an eagle, (b) a snail, (c) a jack, (d) a jack-knife?
- Which sports comprise the Modern Pentathlon?
- What are the surnames of these world famous sportsmen—(a) Dr Roger Gilbert XXXXXXXX; (b) Elias Vieler XXXXXXXX; (c) Sir Donald George XXXXXXXX?
- Is a badminton player faulted if he misses the shuttle when serving?
- Who was the only boxer to knock out Jack Dempsey?
- Which country became the first for 60 years to win a Rugby Union Test series against South Africa?
- What's the name? "Captain" of an international team. . . . has won over 80 caps for his country. . . . has played for the same club since he was 15. . . . a centre-half."

(Answers See Page 17.)

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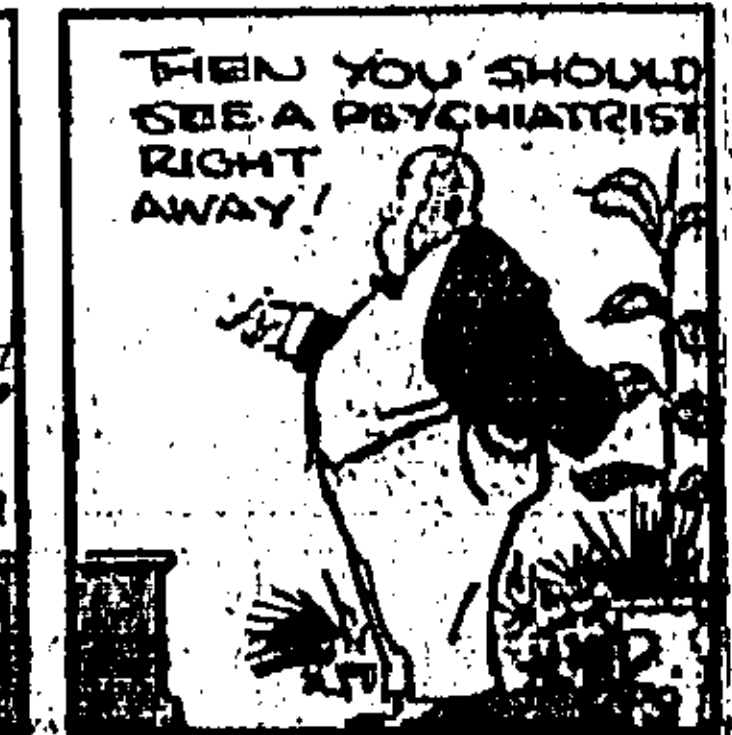
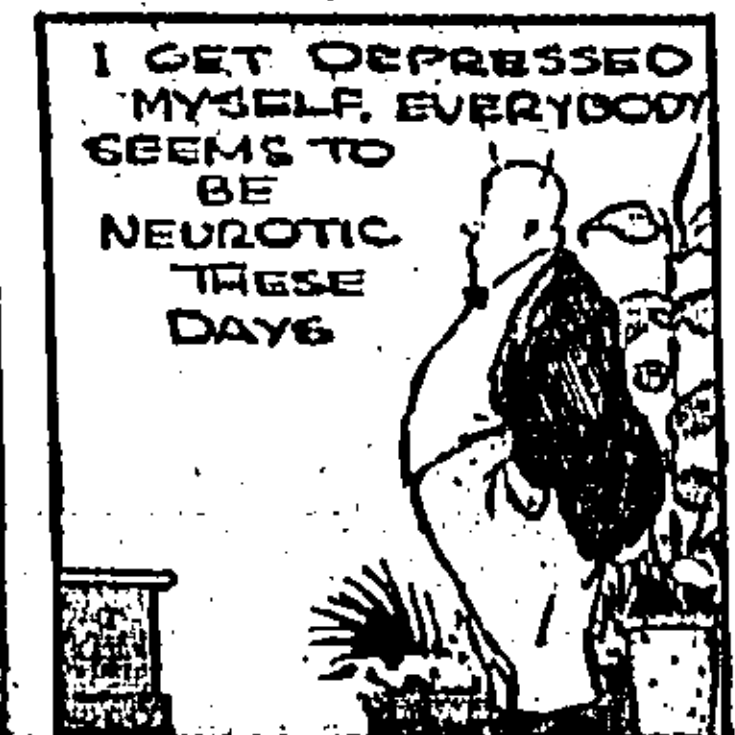
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CHERRY HEERING
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Goalkeeper-Scorer

This must be a record. George Robinson, reserve goalkeeper for Mopsey Celtic in the Nottingham Spartan League, was chosen forward for the senior side because injuries had left the selectors with a problem. Robinson confounded everybody by scoring ten times in a 10-0 victory. No goalkeeper can ever have done that before, but the League record was ten, created nine years ago by a legitimate forward. Record of another sort is that Arthur Bowley made his first appearance in Leicester City Reserves the other week after being with the club nine years.

ANSWERS

To several correspondents. We regret the publication of the paragraph about the World Cup Squad mentioning members of the Manchester United team who died in the Munich air disaster.—Ed.

Sports Diary

TODAY

Racing
Ninth (Annual) Race Meeting. Third Day, Happy Valley Road.
Div. 1—Club v Kwong Wah (Club) 4 p.m.; South China v Eastern (CHI) 4 p.m.
Div. 2—Caroline Hill v Tramways (Club) 2.30 p.m.; Aircraft v South China (HIV) 2.30 p.m.; Telephone v C & W (HIV) 4 p.m.; St. Joseph v Tai Koo (HIV) 4 p.m.; Prison v HEMIE (Stanley) 4 p.m.
Div. 3—HIL v University (HIV) 2.30 p.m.; Mercantile v Rediffusion (HIV) 4 p.m.
Cricket
Div. 1—HCC v INC; CCC v Navy; HKCC v Scorpions v Army North; Army South v HKCC
Div. 2—KGV v DHS; Police v Army North; Dockyard v HKCC
Div. 3—HCC v University; Army South v Centaurus.
Football
All HK v Tao Kau Ladies (Taiwan) King's Park 3.30 p.m.
Taiwan v Navy XV, Army Ground Boundary Street 4.15 p.m.; Army v Club (Police BS) 4.15 p.m.; Police v RAF (Police BS) 4.15 p.m.; RAF "B" v Royal Navy (Army) 4.15 p.m.; Club "B" v Army XV (HIV) 4.30 p.m.
Hockey
Recreio "B" v Victorians (KIP) 2.30 p.m.; Cup Re-play—Recreio "A" v Gremlins (KIP) 4 p.m.

WEEKEND SOFTBALL MATCHES

LITTLE ERNIE TAYLOR...

One Of The Best Transfer Bargains Since The War

Says JOHNNY HAYNES

London. Little Ernie Taylor has played only two games for Manchester United, but I already regard him as one of the best transfer bargains since the war.

It is a bargain that, I believe, may turn out to be in the Joe Mercer category—and there is a parallel between these two fine soccer personalities.

Taylor is 32, so was Mercer when he joined Arsenal from Everton in 1946. Many people, particularly around Goodison Park, thought the end of his playing career was only a couple of seasons away, but Mercer went on for nine years.

He won a League Championship medal with Arsenal in 1948, a Cup medal in 1950, and another League medal three years later.

I do not forecast that Taylor, the "little general" of United's new attack, will earn honours to that extent; neither do I say United will get nine years' service out of him.

Off The Beam

But I do say that people who imagine Taylor is a makeshift signing unlikely to last more than a couple of seasons are way off the beam.

I have played against Taylor twice—for Fulham, and for Young England—and each of his displays stands out in my memory.

The main reason for my belief that Taylor has five seasons' at least of First Division football ahead of him is his ability to conserve energy and apply pressure almost at the turn of a tap.

Yes, United's assistant manager Jimmy Murphy is to be congratulated on his first two signings, for tall, blond left half Stan Crowther, who has played behind me in the Young England side, is a fine prospect and at his best when able to attack.

Crowther has taken over from Duncan Edwards for United, and must be a candidate to do so for England as well.

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Answers To Sports Quiz

- James Lillywhite in 1877.
- India. Hockey.
- (a) Rugby. (b) Ski-jumping.
- (a) Golf. (b) Weightlifting.
- (c) Bowls. (d) Diving.
- Horse-riding, cross-country running, swimming, fencing, shooting.
- (a) Bannister (b) Selwyn
- (c) Bradman.
- Jim Flynn (USA) in 1917.
- New Zealand.
- Billy Wright, captain of Wolves and England.

Taiwan Series Opens This Afternoon At King's Park

By "TIME OUT"

After recent weeks of downright uninteresting League softball, the loyal supporters of the game will really have something to shout about over the weekend as the Hongkong Softball Association welcomes to the Colony the Tao Kau Domestic Science School ladies' softball team from Taiwan.

Apart from this there will be the added attraction of what should turn out to be the "big game" of the current season, the Senior League encounter between the Champion Saints and the powerful Warriors. This is a much-awaited game that time and again had to be unavoidably postponed because of bad weather.

A win for the Joys means another Championship, their second in as many years, while a Warriors victory puts them on level terms—but the tribe will first have to dispose of the ever-dreaded Dodgers whom they still have to play against twice if they entertain any hopes of meeting the Saints in a play-off for the title.

As a sort of curtain-raiser before the Taiwan series opens this afternoon at 3.30 p.m. there will be a Junior League game between the unpredictable Dodgers and the very sporting War Eagles. The former are currently enjoying a winning streak and should have no difficulty in making quick work of the Eagles.

The first game had the Filipinos edging out the Eagles by a single run, 9 to 8, and manager Fred Diesta must agree that his boys were extremely lucky as the War Eagles had the sacks brimming with only one away in the bottom of the seventh and only poor coaching deprived them of an upset victory. If the Dodgers play as well as they have been doing lately there is no possibility of the Dodgers just scraping through as they did earlier. The Eagles will go down fighting.

The Taiwan lady softballers always draw a capacity crowd, in the stands and all over the adjoining hillsides and this Tao Kau team, making its debut this afternoon against All-Hongkong, will undoubtedly do the same.

Big Reputation

They come with a big reputation, having twice beaten the all-conquering Yu Shan squad that made a clean sweep of their games here not so long ago. Information is not available as to their actual standing since here is a very brief history of this team. Tao Kau was first formed in 1955. The following year the team was selected to represent Taipei in the Eleventh Taiwan Provincial Sports Meeting and it won the Ladies' Softball Championship against such formidable opposition as Ching Hsui and Yu Shan.

Their consistency brought them recognition in another field, baseball, when in May 1957 they were chosen to play against the Japanese Girls' baseball team. In October of the same year they once again represented Taipei in the Twelfth Taiwan Provincial Sports Meeting and retained the championship, beating Yu Shan in the play-off.

As softball is part of their physical education programme, the Tao Kau must surely be rated as top-class opposition. They are said to have in their line-up one of the best pitchers in Taiwan.

I am informed that the starting nine will probably be as follows—Evelyn Alanco and Anna Wu as battery, L. Y. Kwok at first, Katrina Wong at second, "Dinga" Oozlo at shortstop and the one and only Myra Cruz at the hot corner. There is a lot of talent to choose from and the outfield and utilities will come from "Peanut" Yim, Olive Yuen, Myra Caldas, Margaret Lam, Lillian Chan, Ena Remedios, May Pau, Carmen Mattos, Helen Lung, Ruby Liang, Frances da Silva and Chan Che-yuk.

The Weak Spots

As followers of softball will know this team represents the cream of the local Ladies' League, but how the "stars" will elicit is another matter altogether. It is too much to expect that they will settle down to playing good softball without having had the opportunity of getting together for a spot of practice. Your guess as to which side will triumph is probably just as good as mine. No doubt Messrs. L. C. Poon and P. C. Won, the managers for the Combined Chinese Ladies' team to meet the visitors tomorrow at 1.45 p.m., will be at the ball park to try to find the weak spots in the Tao Kau armour—if any!

A Showdown

Excitement will be at fever pitch in the afternoon as apart from the Taiwan versus Combined Chinese Ladies' game a showdown takes place at 3.30 p.m. when Al Oliveira's Warriors clash with Bimbi Ablong's perennial champions, the Saints.

I fail to understand why any Senior team that plays against the Saints always seems to be overawed by the occasion. Of course the Joys are a formidable side, even on their off-days, but they have been cashing in on their name and reputation for years. Some of their veterans should be wearing carpet slippers instead of cleats, but as the saying goes, "Old soldiers never die". Man for man the Warriors match them in speed, fielding and batting power. The only thing the tribe cannot equal the Saints in is that vital commodity—EXPERIENCE.

Busy Afternoon

Lefty Salich of the Joys loses the strikes in with confidence, but if the Warriors can curb their tendency to swing at anything he will be in for a busy afternoon. The majority of the Portuguese side, now through to the International Final, was made up of the Warriors and we all know just how they almost blasted Salich off the mound. Will the clean-up batters be able to do it again? Everything depends on "Goose" Wong, the Warriors' pitching star who is presently in sparkling form. Having already beaten the Saints twice last year, Goose faces them with renewed confidence. The nod goes to the Warriors to take this game—if they keep their wits about them,

otherwise it means another Championship for the Saints.

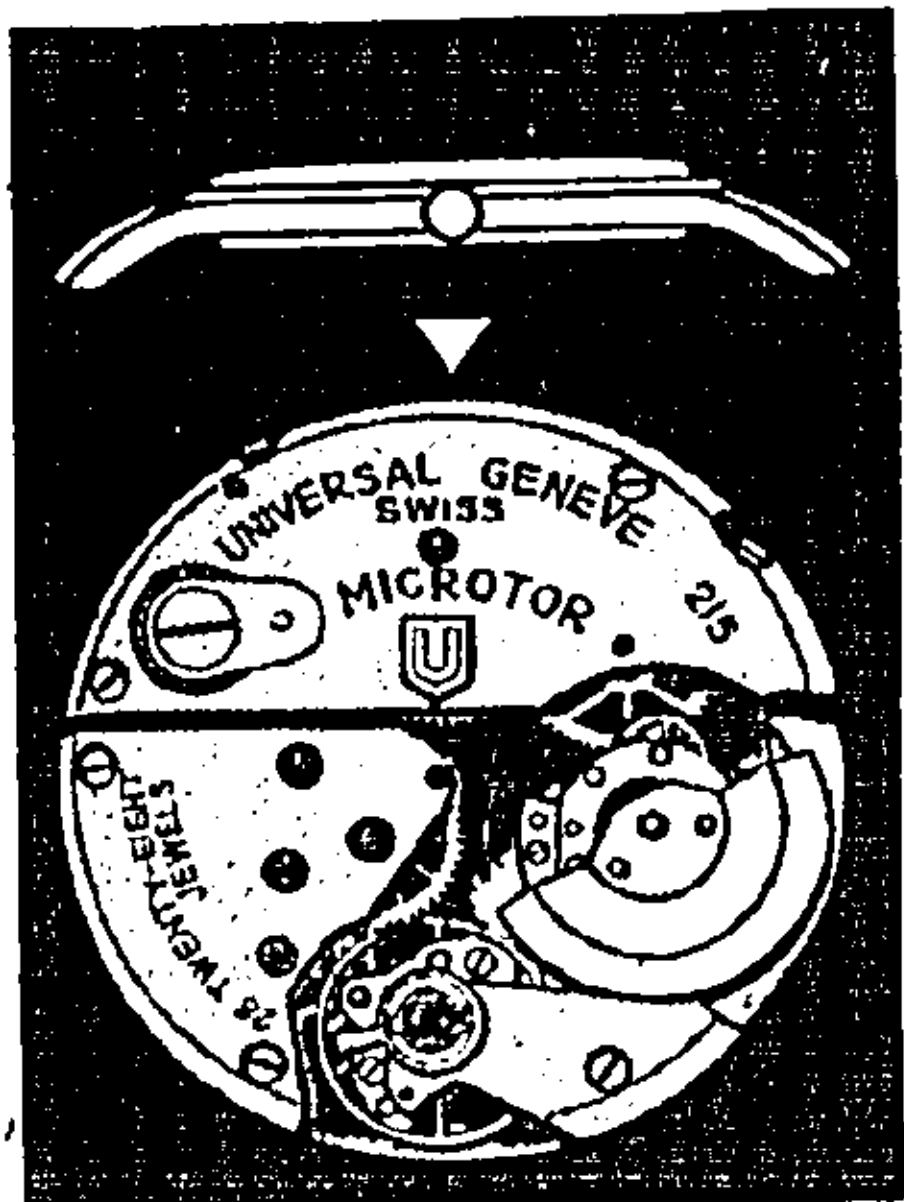


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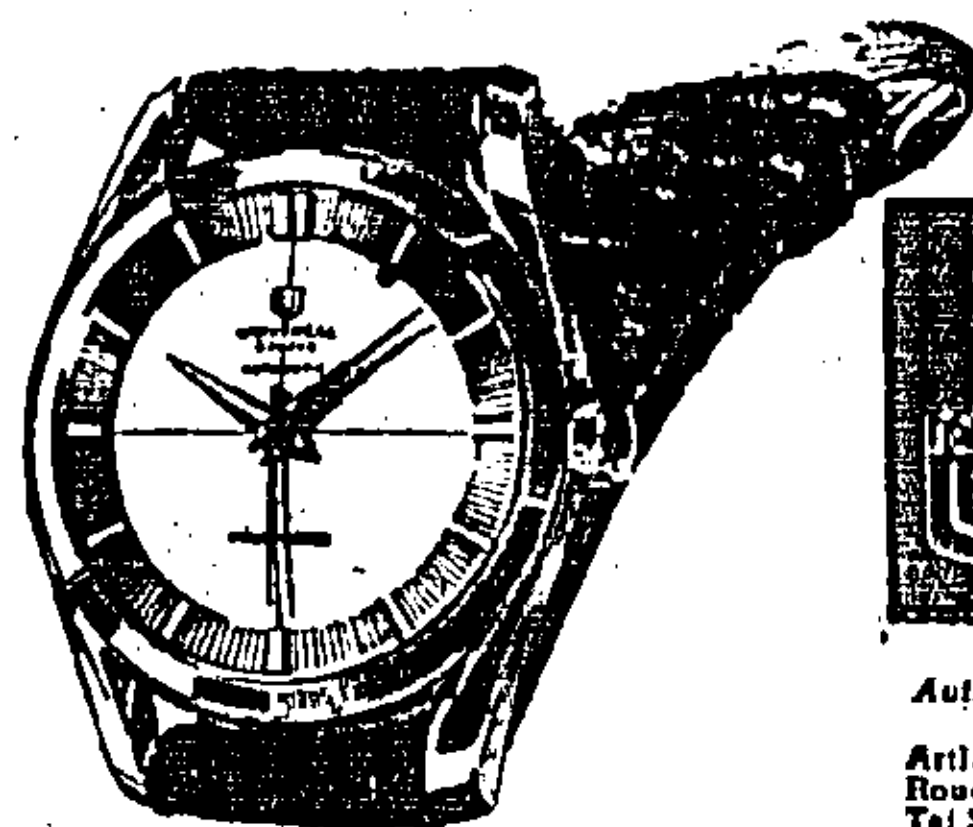
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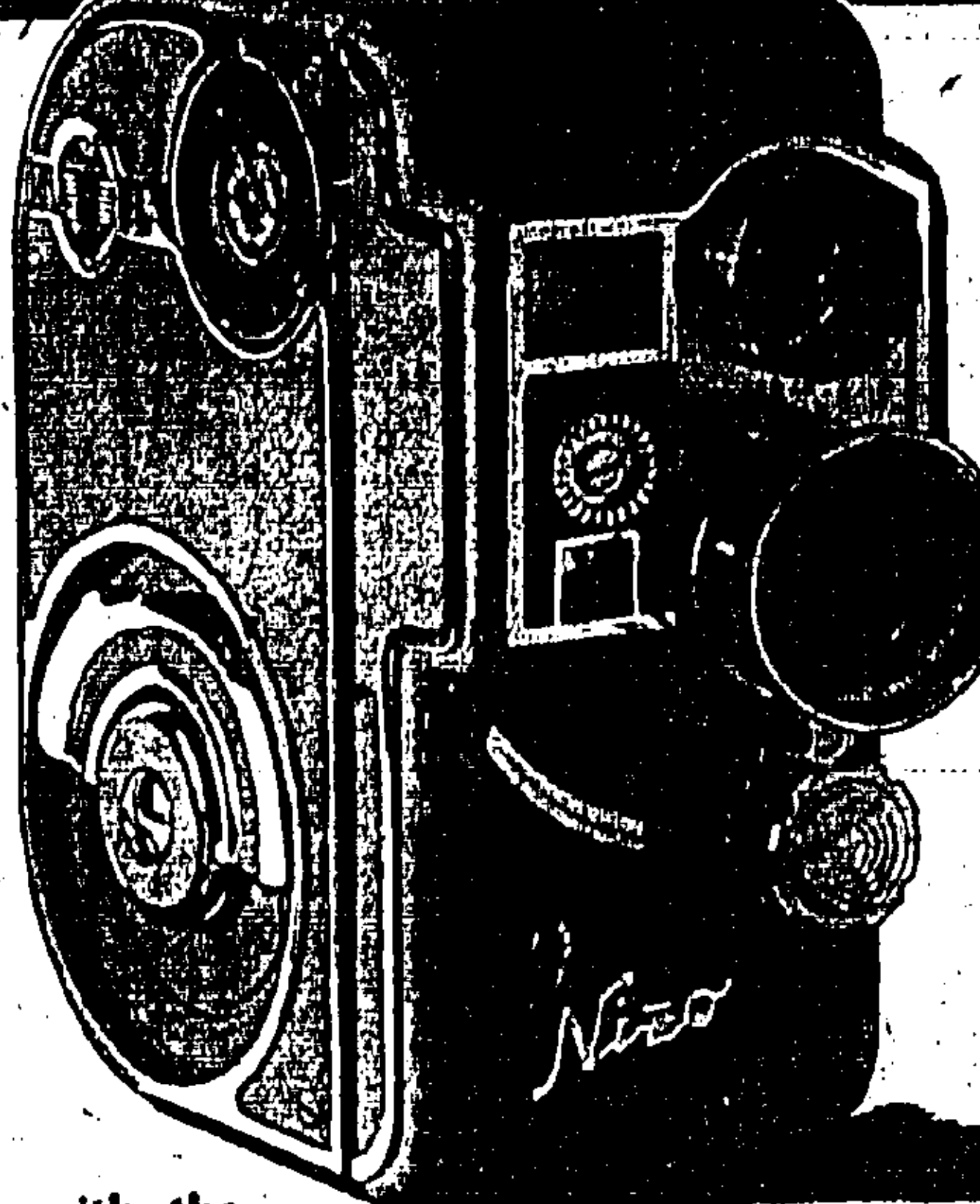
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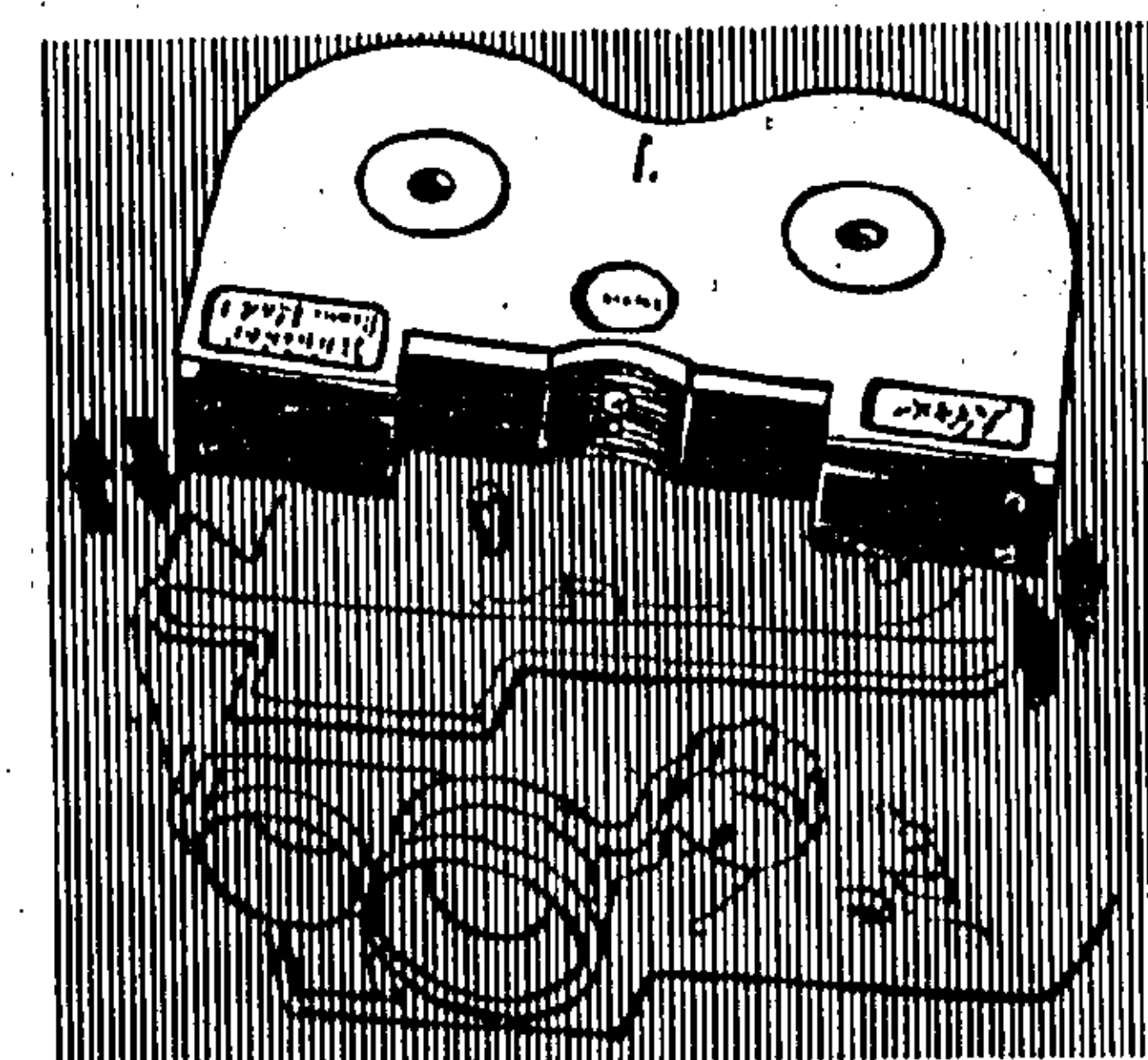
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YOUR BIRTHDAY ...By STELLA

SATURDAY, MARCH 8

BORN today you enjoy intrigue—in fact as well as in fiction. If there is a mysterious, complicated way to achieve your goal, you will select that path rather than the open, straightforward one. Since, by nature, you are an executive, you enjoy running affairs from behind the scenes. It gives you a real sense of power to know that you have maneuvered a deal, although you may not appear in the negotiations at all.

Actually, you have strong convictions and perhaps it is because in the past you have not found it easy to put over your ideas through the straight approach, that you find such value in beating around the bush, slipping in your ideas when it is least expected. You may run into the difficulty of being considered two-faced. Actually, you are a person of a single objective, but you are apt to figure that any means to an end is justified—if the end is in line with your ideas.

You men have political potentialities and probably would be successful in seeking local office. Whether you will measure up to state-manship is quite up to you. Enlarge your horizon and cultivate talents beyond the local level if you want to advance far. Since you are usually able to dramatise yourself, you will find that, as a rule, you become the centre of any gathering you attend.

You women, being attractive to members of the opposite sex, probably will have a series of exciting romances. Face it—you're a born flirt! Don't overdo it or you can hurt yourself as well as others.

Among those born on this date were: Chief Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes of the U.S. Supreme Court; Stuart Chase, economist; Simon Cameron, Pennsylvania politician; Catherine Lorillard Wolfe, philanthropist; Claire Trevor, actress; and George Gibbs, author.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—You can extend your circle of acquaintances today through your community, church and social circle.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—The stars indicate that this should be a happy and health-giving Sunday. Relax tensions through recreation.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—You may gain some definite personal advance through new acquaintances today. Be on your best behaviour.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—You've had a busy week, so plan to get some rest and recreation suitable to the day. Rebuild your reserves.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Follow your intuition, for you may be almost psychic in your reactions, especially when it comes to romance.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—You may serve as an inspiring example to someone who needs help and guidance just now—a teen-ager, perhaps?

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Let down tensions today and relax. Enjoy pleasurable recreation. Get out into the open if you can.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—If your hunches appear more than usual, follow them implicitly, especially when it comes to romance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)—You may be called upon to make an important business decision which will involve your future plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—A healthful outlook on life can bring new meaning and truly inspired attitude toward life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Follow your intuition, for you may be almost psychic in your reactions, especially when it comes to romance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Further your ideas today. Introduce them to your community at a meeting and get approval.

BORN today, you are ambitious, lively and aggressive. You like to have something going on around you all of the time. If things are dull where you happen to be, you are just the one to go elsewhere unless you can manage to stir up more excitement of the homefront. In any event, there is never a dull moment in your life if you can do anything to prevent it.

You have a magnetic personality and aim to be the centre of any group. You can see the drama in everyday life and you play it up at all times. You are naturally a born leader and not one to follow in another's footsteps. You will have out your own path to success. You are not one to be inhibited by the environment in which you may have happened to be born. You will "up and out" at the first opportunity if your surroundings are not pleasing or if they do not offer you sufficient scope for your activities.

Since you have a tremendous store of physical and nervous energy, you are inclined to be prodigal of it. Learn to save your energies by delegating the unimportant tasks to others. You are a leader, but you may need to cultivate a few of the tricks of the successful executive who knows how to save his energies for the important things in life.

Although you are popping with new ideas most of the time, you are no visionary theorist, but know how to be as practical as the next one. Although attractive to members of the opposite sex, you are too busy climbing the success ladder to have much time left for romance.

Among those born on this date were: Amerigo Vesputius, explorer; Thelma Given, violinist; Leland Stanford, statesman and educator; General Winfield Scott, U.S. Army; David Davis, jurist and politician; Edwin Forrest, actor; and Arthur Caesar, author and playwright.

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MONDAY, MARCH 10

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Legal affairs may involve you in-laws at a distance, but a level head can solve all pending problems.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Confidential matters involving estate or financial affairs may be coming to a head now. Use discretion.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Push the terms of a new contract and you will find that there is advantage for everyone in the deal.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Make the most of what is on hand. Postpone starting anything new until a little later in the month.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Organise your plans carefully. Don't act on impulse, but think things over very carefully before starting.

LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—A day of activity. Make sure that you are moving forward in a well-directed path toward an ultimate goal.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Keep your mind on present business. Don't trail off, daydreaming about what might happen in the future.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Never overlook the green grass in your own backyard! That is, be sure you see the opportunity at hand right now!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Wise action on your part now can determine the outcome of your plans in the future. Make astute decisions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 22)—Confidential matters may need close attention. Handle present problems sagaciously.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—In domestic and social personal relationships and you will find that all turns out as anticipated.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Limit your activities to work which will further your major objective and your future security.

GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—Push the terms of a new contract and you will find that there is advantage for everyone in the deal.

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Organise your plans carefully. Don't act on impulse, but think things over very carefully before starting.

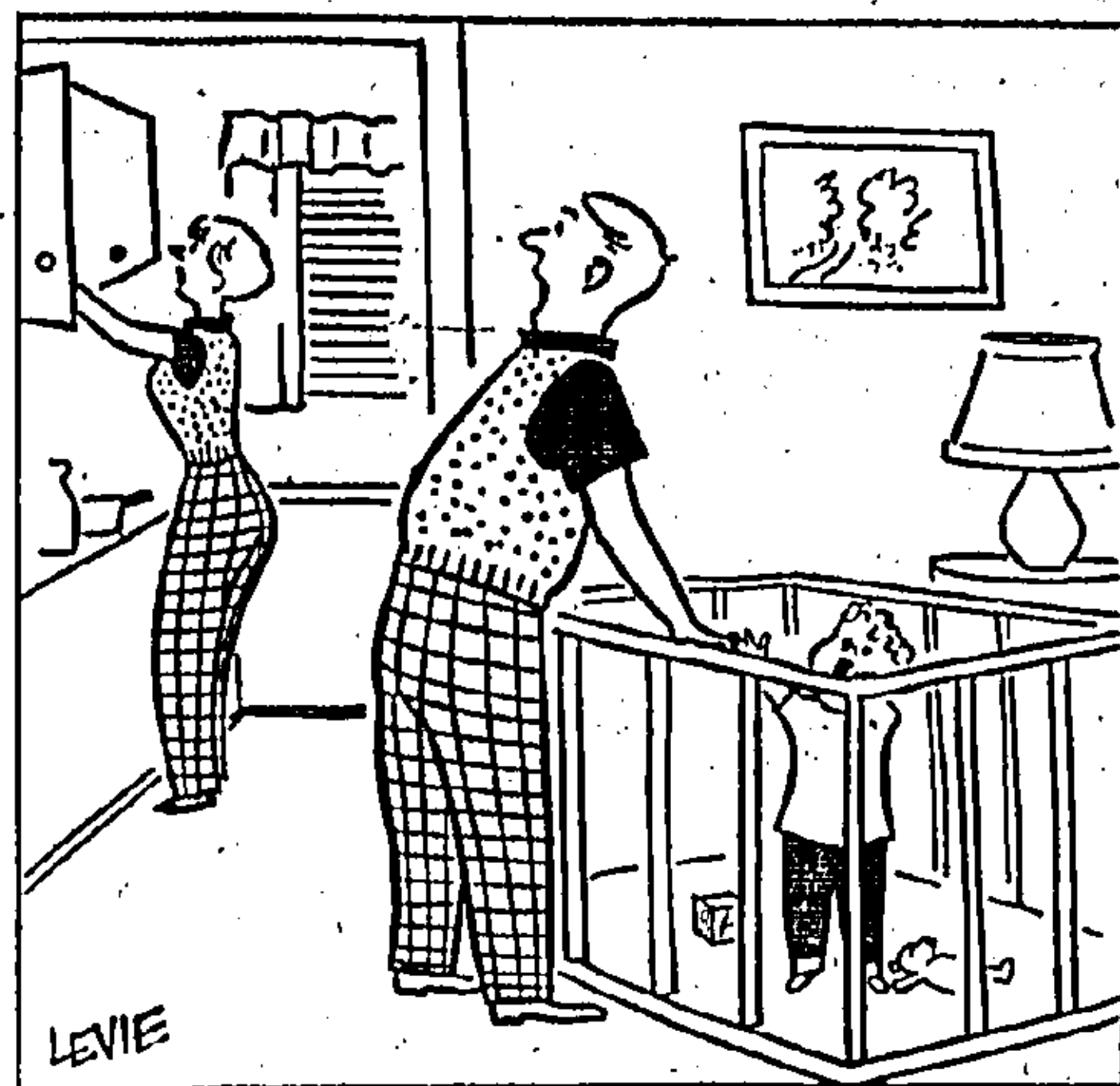
LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—A day of activity. Make sure that you are moving forward in a well-directed path toward an ultimate goal.

VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Keep your mind on present business. Don't trail off, daydreaming about what might happen in the future.

LIBRA (Sept. 24-Oct. 23)—Never overlook the green grass in your own backyard! That is, be sure you see the opportunity at hand right now!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 23)—Wise action on your part now can determine the outcome of your plans in the future. Make astute decisions.

This Funny World



"Doris, I just figured out why he keeps calling me Mamma!"

BY THE WAY
by Beachcomber

I LIKE to think of the devoted band of education officials who sat in a schoolroom in Warwickshire waiting to hear two saucy budgeters interrupt the lesson.

But the birds were off song, and never uttered a note, unlike the parrot in the Leeds school which said to the senior investigating official in the middle of a French lesson, "Go and boil your head in a bucket of tar." The words seemed to come from a prim little girl in the back row, and it transpired that the bird was a ventriloquist, and had been purchased from a sailor who had once been on the music-halls.

Hats within hats

A HATTER, in desperation, has suggested that even men, who wear no hats should carry one, in case of rain. As a non-hatter, my conviction is that every man should wear a series of hats, like a clown, each one smaller than the one into which it fits. This would not only benefit the hat trade but would keep the ladies in a good humour. Only a very disgruntled lady could resist a man who solemnly raised his hat after hat to her, sweeping off the last diminutive one with a Gascon swag.

Back to the supermen

UP bobs the stale old nonsense of eugenics. It is being suggested that selective breeding, as with cattle, with produce a race of supermen. But since the breeding is to be by artificial insemination I imagine the choice of the progenitors of the supermen will be left to an electronic brain. That is some-

thing poor Nietzsche never thought of.

I only want to help

BALLET, like leapfrog, is only amusing when someone falls over. That is why I deplore the waste of time of the girls who "achieve poise and balance" at a school of ballet. Nothing is drier than this mania for poise and balance. The element of surprise is effective in every art, and the grasp of delight with which audiences at a ballet greet some unorchestrated tumble shows that they are too often denied this treat. The leaping faun who leaps too far, and either bumps into a bit of scenery or knocks a colleague down, will make his name more rapidly than the dabbler who goes through a series of dreary drill-movements.

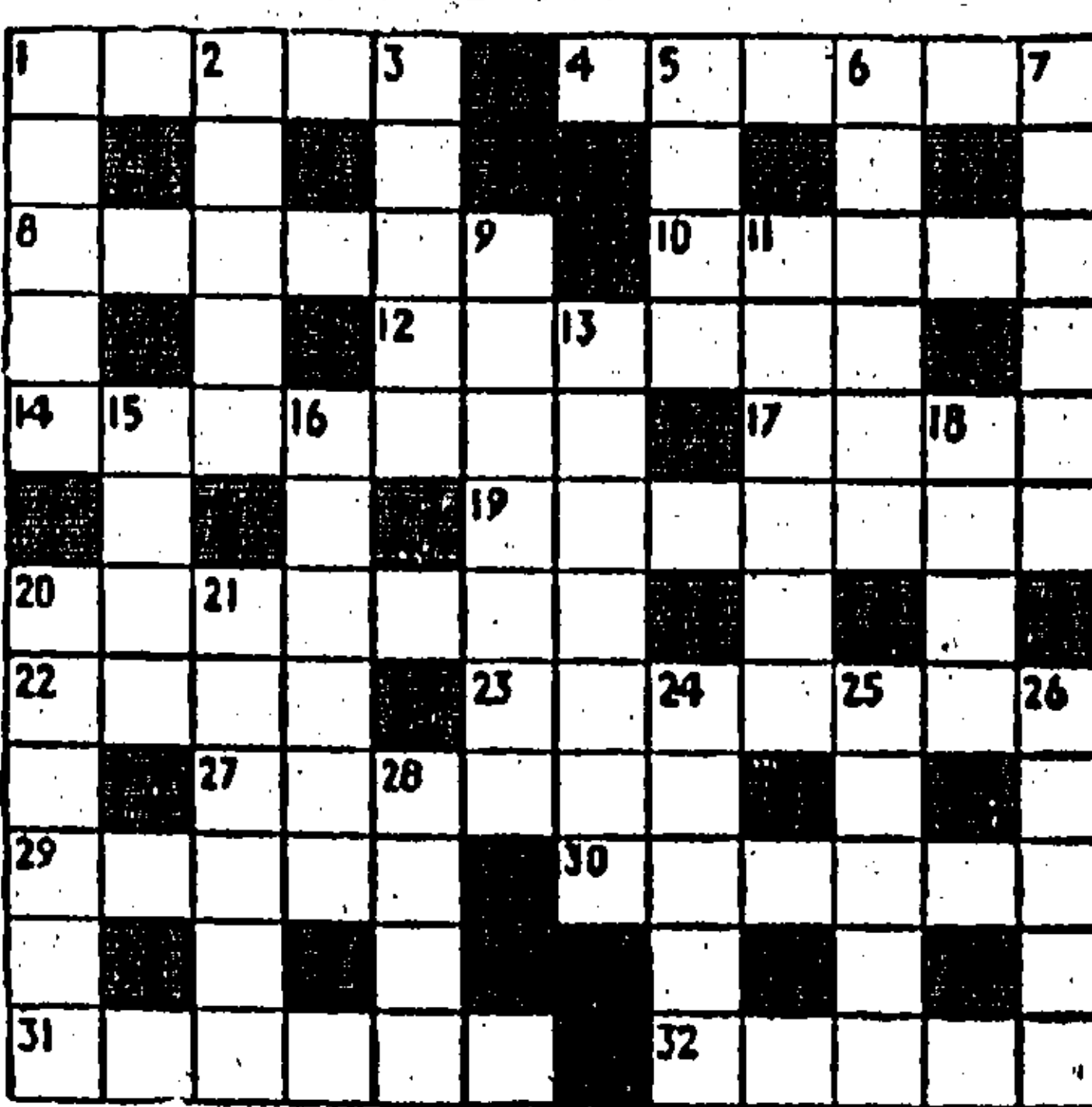
Connoisseur

"HERE, what's this?" "What you asked for." "It's posh. Where does it come from?" "Portugal, of course." "I thought so! Take it away and give me the real, genuine Swedish port. I had last time. No imitations for me!"

The perils of fashion

THE other day a lady with the new "mop" coiffure was standing on her head for reasons of mental health, and, with her short-sighted charwoman came into the room, carrying her pail of water. She seized the lady and had popped the untidy head into the bucket before she realised her mistake.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Shipping freight (5).
 - Confound that silence! (6).
 - Mohammedan (6).
 - Ice house (6).
 - Serf (6).
 - Satisfied with what's inside? (7).
 - Bundle from Elba (4).
 - Mutilated in the telling (7).
 - Go and see a specialist? (4).
 - Folkstone's green belt? (4).
 - Muse of music (7).
 - Cut apart (6).
 - Large-headed match (6).
 - Lady of Spain (6).
 - Goblin (6).
 - Treated with medicine (5).
- DOWN**
- He tries to be funny (5).
 - It exudes from trees (5).
 - Girl in green (5).
 - Name shorter than Mavis (4).
 - Bit of finery (6).
 - Eaten into by the sea, maybe (6).
 - Having passed through the rollers, a thousand went fishing (7).
 - Talk inarticulately (6).
 - They have a glory-stare as a rule (7).
 - Wind instrument (4).
 - Biological paper? (6).
 - What a boulder may do? (4).
 - Dover's are white (6).
 - Colonel who's half an ass! (6).
 - Clination (5).
 - Castles in the air (5).
 - Unusual, possibly laden (6).
 - Unadorned (4).

FRIDAY'S—Across: 3 Forecast, 8 Dame, 9 Schedule, 11 Nonsense, 13 Sels, 15 Disallow, 16 Literate, 18 Sham (rock), 21 Inclined, 25 Assured, 26 Annoy, 27 Opposite, Down: 1 A-dee, 2 Omen, 4 Ooze, 5 (a) Even, 6 Aurora, 7 Trees, 9 Stall, 10 He-lo, 12 Irish, 14 Title, 16 Lions, 17 Would, 19 Shake, 20 Aesop, 21 Ink, 22 coat, 23 Mice, 24 Dame.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Off Beat Bids Can Hit Slam

By OSWALD JACOBY

NORTH and South have a lay down for a small slam since all South needs do is draw trumps, establish dummy's clubs by ruffing one and get over to dummy with the king of hearts.

When I watched the hand played North and South reached some all right but never came near to the slam and there was considerable discussion as to how the hand should have been bid.

Everyone agreed that if North opened with two clubs, six spades would be a cinch to get to but they also felt that North's hand should be opened one only.

hTo final decision was that North should have bid irregularly but strongly in order to get to the small slam. His first rebid should have been a mere

NORTH (D) 10			
▲AK4			
♥KJ			
♦AK108754			
♣Q			
WEST			
▲1092			
♥764			
♦AK1052			
♣Q			
EAST			
▲83			
♥Q108			
♦QJ964			
♣J93			
SOUTH			
▲Q3756			
♥A532			
♦87			
♣2			
Both vulnerable			
North	East	South	West
1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
4♣	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♦K			

three clubs. He would take a chance that South might pass this but it wouldn't be much of a chance.

Actually South would have rebid three hearts, whereupon North would have gone to three spades only. This bid would, of course, have been a force and South would have gone to the spade game.

At that point North would come out of his shell and bid four no-trump. South would show, one ace and North would jump to six spades.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been: West North East South 1♣ Double Redbl. 1♠ Pass 3♠ 4♣ 5♣ You, South, hold: ▲K76 ♠KQJ2 ♠A9843 What do you do?

A—Double. Your partner has left it to you to choose between a double and a five-spade bid and you certainly don't want to try five spades.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding has been: West North East South 1♣ Double Redbl. ? You, South, hold: ▲532 ♠A76 ♠QJ2 ♠A943 What do you do?

Answer on Monday

TARGET

HOW many words of four letters or more can you make from the letters in the square on the left? In making each word, use only the letters in the square. Each word must contain the large letter in the centre square, and there must be at least one nine-letter word in the list. No plurals or foreign words. No proper nouns. TODAY'S TARGET: 44 words. Good! 21 words very good! 60 words excellent. Solution on Monday.

DARTWORDS START HERE

THE first word in the word is ORATORY and the last is STRIVE. You have 40 words in the list. The words are: 1. ORATORY, 2. STRIVE, 3. ORATORY, 4. STRIVE, 5. ORATORY, 6. STRIVE, 7. ORATORY, 8. STRIVE, 9. ORATORY, 10. STRIVE, 11. ORATORY, 12. STRIVE, 13. ORATORY, 14. STRIVE, 15. ORATORY, 16. STRIVE, 17. ORATORY, 18. STRIVE, 19. ORATORY, 20. STRIVE, 21. ORATORY, 22. STRIVE, 23. ORATORY, 24. STRIVE, 25. ORATORY, 26. STRIVE, 27. ORATORY, 28. STRIVE, 29. ORATORY, 30. STRIVE, 31. ORATORY, 32. STRIVE, 33. ORATORY, 34. STRIVE, 35. ORATORY, 36. STRIVE, 37. ORATORY, 38. STRIVE, 39. ORATORY, 40. STRIVE.

PARADE

A COLUMN OF THE UNUSUAL ABOUT PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

NIGHT SHIRTS

Frenchmen are going back to wearing night-shirts.

And, naturally, the return to granddad's fashion is being led by the high society of Paris.

Said famous French dress designer and perfume-maker Madame "Coco" Chanel: "It has been a long time since I cared how men dress to sleep, but the idea of a nightshirt makes me laugh."

The Marquis de Cuevas, a famous host, said: "What is so funny about nightshirts? I always wear one."

Forty celebrities were quizzed on the subject of nightshirts. Only ten were against them.

On sale in New York: the "decisionometer." And it is reportedly doing good business.

It is a metal disc, with a "Yes" on one side and a "No" on the other. To take a decision, you just give it a twist and read off the answer.

Remember when people in doubt used to flip a coin?

NEW AGE

Since America launched its earth satellite space and moon cities have become fashionable in Tin Pan Alley. Over 300 song lyrics have been copyrighted. Samples: "Space Ship Boogie," "Rockin' in the Orbit," "Take me to the Moon, Mr. Calhoun,"

JAZZ CAN

A Philadelphia jazz enthusiast has invented an automatic beater for the bass drums so that the player can keep his hands and feet free for working other instruments in the combination.

TIN PAN

The drummer just plugs in an electric lead. He can then adjust the machine to perform slow single beats or faster double beats.

BATTLE ROYAL

A dog fight broke up a solemn procession, headed by Princess Alice of Athlone, as it moved towards Mary Seacole Hall, a new college residence for

girls, which was being opened by Lady Hallie, wife of the Viceroy, India Governor-General.

A bull mastiff, owned by one of the college professors, an Arabian, owned by the Vice-Principal, and a dog of non-descript origin, owned by another professor, fought savagely. The Principal and Vice-Principal tried in vain to separate them. Finally, they were parted by a policeman.

It was agreed that her Chancellor's robes saved Princess Alice from injury.

"FLYING FISHES"

A 100-year-old statue of Queen Victoria is to be consigned to a watery grave at the bottom of the Salween River.

The Moulmein municipality decided this was the best way to dispose of the statue, which is broken beyond repair.

COLOUR CRAZE

Detachable turn-ups in different colours is the latest idea for men's trousers.

The advertising boys say men will wear turn-ups to match their shoes or contrast with the suit pattern of their trousers.

ORBIT OFFER

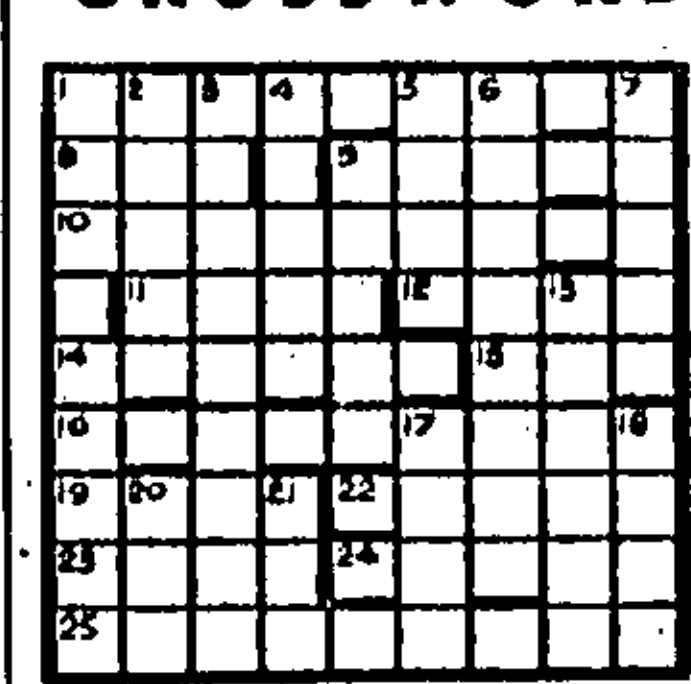
A New York bar is offering an "Explorer Cocktail." Commented the barman: "Three drinks of that and you orbit for a week."

BLACK BOTTOM

A Salisbury policeman had taken his trousers off and was just getting into bed when a hand came through the window and removed the trousers from the back of a chair.

The constable plunged through the window after his receding trousers and caught the thief.

CROSSWORD



1. Clothes holders. (9)
2. Metallic soil. (8)
3. Iberia. (5)
4. Worth of trust. (9)
5. Not one. (4)
6. More goods. (8)
7. Propagation. (8)
8. Checkmate. (4)
9. Large. (4)
10. Self-propelled vehicle. (10)
11. Summit. (4)
12. Mechanical expert. (9)
13. Outspread. Down
14. Stadium. (6)
15. Red ink. (5)
16. Youngster—and looks it. (8)
17. Division. (6)
18. Guide. (6)
19. A maker. (6)
20. Letter. (4)
21. Amount. (4)
22. Forbid. (6)
23. S & L. (4)
24. Three-quarters of the way! (6)
25. Mechanical expert. (9)

BOYS AND GIRLS PAGE SOLUTIONS:

CROSSWORD:
ACROSS: 1. CLOTHES, 2. METALLIC, 3. IBERIA, 4. WORTH, 5. NOT, 6. MORE, 7. PROPAGATION, 8. CHECKMATE, 9. LARGE, 10. SELF-PROPELLED, 11. SUMMIT, 12. MECHANICAL, 13. OUTSPREAD, 14. STADIUM, 15. RED, 16. YOUNGSTER, 17. DIVISION, 18. GUIDE, 19. A, 20. LETTER, 21. AMOUNT, 22. FORBID, 23. S & L, 24. THREE-QUARTERS, 25. MECHANICAL.
DOWN: 1. CLOTHES, 2. METALLIC, 3. IBERIA, 4. WORTH, 5. NOT, 6. MORE, 7. PROPAGATION, 8. CHECKMATE, 9. LARGE, 10. SELF-PROPELLED, 11. SUMMIT, 12. MECHANICAL, 13. OUTSPREAD, 14. STADIUM, 15. RED, 16. YOUNGSTER, 17. DIVISION, 18. GUIDE, 19. A, 20. LETTER, 21. AMOUNT, 22. FORBID, 23. S & L, 24. THREE-QUARTERS, 25. MECHANICAL.

NEW WORDS: A NEW; KNEW; RENEW; RENOWN.

PICTURE WORD SQUARE:

CANE
MAST
NERO
ZIGS

DETAILED WORDS: Carot, care, car, ca.

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MAST
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